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Iraq rejects any move to impose truce

## UN chief won't declare a ceasefire unilaterally

UNITED NATIONS, Aug 2. (Agencies): Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar does not intend to declare a ceasefire in the Iran-Iraq war without consulting the Security Council and possibly the two belligerents, UN officials said today.

It is not his intention to declare a ceasefire unilaterally, said Francois Giuliani, spokesman for the UN chief. "Theoretically, he can do so, practically, he will consult.

### Insistence

Giuliani was responding to reporters' questions about Perez de Cuellar's statement last night that he would declare a ceasefire after receiving a report on Thursday from a UN fact-finding team, consulting the Security Council and possibly speaking with the Iraqi and Iranian foreign ministers.

Perez de Cuellar's intent to declare a ceasefire was expected to pressure Iraq to drop its insistence on immediate face-to-face

talks with Iran prior to a truce in their nearly eight-year-old war. The ceasefire is called for in UN Security Council Resolution 598, which both sides have accepted.

Iraq rejected today any move by the United Nations "or any other quarter" to impose a unilateral ceasefire.

"We will not accept any fait accompli" — no matter from which quarter it comes, "Riyad Al Qaysi, a member of the Iraqi negotiating team, said.

Al Qaysi responded to published reports quoting the UN secretary-general as saying either he or the Security Council may declare a ceasefire without the consent of the parties.

### Demand

In a statement read to reporters outside the Secretariat building, Al Qaysi reiterated the Iraqi demand for face-to-face negotiations with Iran.

Describing Iraq's demand for direct talks as a pre-condition is wrong, he said. "In our position we are not demanding an advanced

stage to Iraq only, but we are testing the sincerity of Iran about peace," Al Qaysi said.

Iraq's newly appointed Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Saadoun Hamadi, said yesterday his government was not ready to agree on a time-table for a ceasefire and would reject any pressure toward a quick truce.

No meetings were scheduled for today between the secretary-general and Iranian or Iraqi envoys.

### Important

Diplomats said they doubted the secretary-general would want to declare a unilateral ceasefire if Iraq opposed it.

As he arrived at UN headquarters today, Perez de Cuellar was asked if he would declare a ceasefire despite Iraq's opposition and refusal to comply.

"When I say I will declare a ceasefire (in consultation) with members of the Security Council," he said, "I do not exclude that I would be in touch with the

two foreign ministers ... The decision is both with the secretary-general and the Security Council. That is why it is important I be in touch with the council, and, if necessary, the two other elements of the UN resolution.

Last night, Perez de Cuellar said: "The D-Day (beginning of a ceasefire) does not depend on the parties."

He said he would study the report of the UN team investigating a ceasefire, adding: "I will be in touch with the members of the council, and then I will decide on a D-Day."

The head of the UN team was expected to arrive tomorrow night in New York following his mission's trip to Iran and Iraq, then present his report on Thursday.

Iranian Ambassador Mohammad Ja'afar Mahallati, meanwhile, reaffirmed today that his government intends the secretary-general must declare a ceasefire, even if Iraq is opposed.

"The secretary-general is mandated to declare a ceasefire," he told reporters.

Mahallati said Iran is ready to observe an immediate ceasefire and accepts the secretary-general's ideas on a troop withdrawal, prisoner exchange and other elements of the UN resolution.

If Iraq does not accept a ceasefire, he said, the Security Council should consider imposing an arms embargo against the Baghdad government.

But Mahallati said: "It will be hard for Iraq to resist the international momentum" and worldwide desire for an early peace in the war.

He said the Security Council should act swiftly to condemn Iraq by name for its repeated and large-scale use of outlawed chemical weapons.

But Iraq today formally denied an Iranian allegation that a high-ranking Iraqi official has recently acknowledged Iraq's use of chemical weapons.

The Soviet Union said today it expects the ceasefire talks to produce positive results "within days" and urged the Security Council to act resolutely to end the war.

## Khamenei doubtful about peace

NICOSIA, Aug 2. (Agencies): Iranian President Ali Khamenei said today prospects of an end to the Gulf war were "extremely doubtful" as millions filled the streets in a show of support for Ayatollah Khomeini.

Khamenei also insisted that Iran would accept no preconditions in peace negotiations designed to lead to a ceasefire bases on UN Security Council Resolution 598.

Iraq, which has launched a number of cross-border attacks in the past two weeks, has been insisting on face-to-face talks with Iran in advance of a ceasefire.

### Implementation

"The Iraqi regime's attitude during the past two weeks, its obstructionist behaviour regarding the implementation of Resolution 598 and its excuses have cast doubts on the prospects of achieving peace," Khamenei said in a speech broadcast by Tehran Radio.

"In the light of this situation I

look at the prospect of achieving peace and an end to the war in the context of Resolution 598 as extremely doubtful and suspect," he said.

Khamenei was addressing a rally in the southwestern oil city of Ahvaz, part of the celebrations honouring Khomeini and the Islamic revolution that brought him to power.

Referring to Iraq's demand for direct talks, he said:

"We shall not accept any preconditions from Iraq over the implementation of the resolution and a ceasefire on the fronts ... such as direct negotiations or any other condition," adding:

"If Iraq sets down preconditions, we too shall set down a condition and ours will be what we have stated before, the punishment of the aggressor."

The Iranian President also said a phased plan proposed by Perez de Cuellar for withdrawal of each country's forces from the other's territory was "acceptable."

But he told Le Monde newspaper that he still opposes independence for the desert region where his forces have battled the Polisario Front for years, and did not say what he would do if its inhabitants vote for independence.

His remarks came amid reports that United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar may soon announce a peace plan to end the "war of the sands" with a ceasefire to be followed by a referendum.

### Claim

Fighting between Morocco and the Polisario Front became fierce in 1979 when Mauritania renounced its claim on half of the Western Sahara region and made a separate peace with the rebels.

The desert war has been a major source of tension between Morocco and Algeria, which restored diplomatic relations in June. Hassan told Le Monde that a resolution would "save face" for both nations.

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ships will leave the Gulf, a point of importance both to Iran and the Soviet Union, which has always wanted a UN force to replace the Americans.

A further part of the secret accord is that relations between Iraq and the US will be normalized before the US presidential election. In the short term, this new US friendship with Iran would boost George Bush's campaign. But underlying this move is the global policy of containing the Soviet Union.

The regimes in Turkey and Pakistan are US allies; if Iran, could be added to friends in the

## Arab League endorses Iraq's stand

BAGHDAD, Aug 2. (Reuters): A seven-member Arab League committee of foreign ministers endorsed today Iraq's policy on a ceasefire in its war with Iran, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

"The members of the follow-up committee praised Iraq's attitude and its positive response to putting an honourable and legitimate end to the war," the agency said.

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INA said President Saddam Hussein told the committee that Iraq's victory was "for the good of all Arabs" and hailed its efforts to establish peace in the region.

The committee comprises ministers from Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and North Yemen.

## Secret US-Iran agreement led to acceptance of Resolution 598

LONDON, Aug 2. (Reuters): Iran's acceptance of a UN resolution calling for a ceasefire in the Gulf war is the result of both a secret agreement with the United States and internal pressures, according to a London newspaper.

The Observer quoting a leading Iranian source said the US-Iran deal was apparently made two to three months ago.

The key concession to Iran was that the commission which under the Security Council Resolution 598 will investigate the question of war guilt will declare Iraq the aggressor, the newspaper said.

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ships will leave the Gulf, a point of importance both to Iran and the Soviet Union, which has always wanted a UN force to replace Soviet Asia's Muslims.

Moreover, a bridge between Iran and Pakistan, according to this scenario, would help to destabilize the communist regime in Afghanistan.

A strong contributory factor in the Iranian acceptance of the ceasefire, according to reliable sources, is the looming battle for the succession. Parts of the Army support President Ali Khamenei and are ready for a clash with the Revolutionary Guards.

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around the Soviet Union would be complete and Iran could be counted on as a powerful magnet for Soviet Asia's Muslims.

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extremists within the temple by Waseem Singh Zafarwal, a Pakistani-based Sikh militant leader.

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NEW DELHI, Aug 2. (Reuters): Documents found in the Golden Temple of Amritsar revealed a Sikh plot to kill Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi and Home Minister Buta Singh, the authoritative Times of India said today.

The documents, seized after the Indian Army assault on the temple in May, also implicated Pakistan in aiding and arming the Sikh militants in Punjab, the Times said.

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extremists within the temple by Waseem Singh Zafarwal, a Pakistani-based Sikh militant leader.

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way," he wrote.

### Assault

Mrs Gandhi, Rajiv's mother and predecessor, was assassinated by Sikh bodyguards in November, 1984 after an Army assault on the Golden Temple, Sikhs' holiest shrine.

"Many Sikhs from Gurdaspur (a Punjab city on the Pakistan border) are in the Delhi police.

From among them you should select some Sikhs who can keep

track of all the programme of Rajiv and Buta. After that we will do away with them."

The Times printed a facsimile of one of the letters but gave no indication how it had obtained the documents.

Their publication led to angry scenes in the Indian Parliament later today, with members demanding strong action against Pakistan for its alleged involvement.

The Press Trust of India news agency said members of Rajiv's ruling Congress (I) Party and opposition speakers even supported going to war "to put a permanent end to Pakistan's repeated involvement and interference in India's internal affairs."

The Times said the seized documents contained repeated references to Pakistan, with accounts of arms smuggling, amounts to be paid and addresses of contacts.

It said interrogation of Sikh

extremists had confirmed the extent of Pakistani involvement in the Punjab violence and promised to print more details in tomorrow's edition.

We would like an explanation for a system which denies capable individuals the right to drive a car.

We know that Sheikh Salim Al Sabah, the Minister of Interior, is pushing for reforms in the ministry and thus wishes to see an end to this most peculiar and frustrating situation.

I honestly fail to understand why men and women who have the financial means and a genuine need to provide themselves with transportation are barred from doing so.

The traffic department clearly has some explaining to do.

Zahed Matar

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256 die, hundreds missing

## Severe floods hit eastern China

PEKING, Aug 2. (Reuters): Flash floods have killed at least 256 people and hundreds more are missing in eastern China where only a week ago drought-stricken farmers were desperate for water, officials and aid workers said today.

Entire villages have been destroyed," a spokesman from Zhejiang province said.

Torrential rains fell on Friday night in eastern counties of Zhejiang causing the worst floods in the province for centuries, a Civil Affairs Ministry official said.

At least 256 people were killed

as villages and roads were swept away and over 300 were still missing today, Xu Yuchang of the ministry's disaster relief bureau said.

UN agencies are monitoring the situation but China has not yet asked for international aid, he said.

State television last evening showed pictures of houses cut in half by torrents of water and soldiers and civilians wading waist deep through flooded streets.

Around 30,000 homes were destroyed and 100,000 people have been left stranded, according to official figures.

The floods swamped 730,000 hectares (1.8 million acres) of farmland and destroyed roads,

bridges, reservoirs, communications and power lines.

The worst of the rains were over by Saturday morning. By then some areas had been hit by more than 46cm (18 inches) of rain.

Floodwaters were receding today, the Zhejiang spokesman said, speaking from Hangzhou.

Trevor Page, director of operations of the World Food Programme, said in Beijing.

Miss Sherine E. Abraham will receive KD 40 for winning the Third Full House. The answer to the clue is 1.

Grand Bingo

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PNC to discuss issue

## Jordan keeps quiet on next move

AMMAN, Aug 2. (Agencies): Jordan today put off spelling out the effects of its shedding of responsibility for the West Bank, and the PLO called emergency talks on the issue.

A Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) spokesman said in Baghdad that an emergency session of the Palestine National Council (PNC) — the

## INTERNATIONAL

## Doctor quits animal organ transplant project

LONDON, Aug 2, (AP): A British research involved in a plan to use pigs' organs for human transplants abruptly quit the project Monday in a dispute with colleagues but said research would continue.

Dr Michael Bewick said fellow researchers at Dulwich Hospital had told him to "shut up or get out."

Bewick, 52, said the research team was furious that without their consent he had announced that the hospital intended to study the feasibility of transplanting kidneys, livers and hearts from pigs into people.

Animal rights groups responded to the press coverage by labeling the idea a "horror fantasy" and "gross abuse of animal life." They called on the government to ban the project.

Bewick, a kidney transplant specialist, said the research team feared the controversy might harm its chances of obtaining facilities to carry out the work.

"For the sake of the group and the work they are doing, I decided it would be right for me to leave," Bewick said. He stressed they had the brains and technical skills "to proceed without him."

## Situation

A hospital spokesman said he would meet with Bewick and the research team to assess the situation.

Earlier Monday, Independent newspaper quoted Bewick as saying the programme posed "no ethical problem... animal kidneys could save the lives of thousands of people who die because we do not have an off-the-shelf kidney."

Before his withdrawal from the project, Bewick had offered to meet with animal rights groups to discuss their concerns. He said he feared attacks on his personal property and the hospital.

Bewick said over the weekend that the hospital's research team had discovered a way to filter out antibodies that cause humans to reject donor organs.

The new technique had helped 20 patients accept human kidneys more easily, he said.

## Police disperse Leningrad rally

MOSCOW, Aug 2, (AP): Police in Leningrad broke up a demonstration by about 1,000 people who displayed placards and banners critical of the Kremlin's handling of ethnic disputes, a Moscow activist reported today.

Police detained 27 of the participants and filed criminal charges against 10 in the last night demonstration at Nevsky Square, said Yevgenia Debryanskaya of the unofficial Democratic Union political group.

She said she was informed of the incident by telephone by Valery Terekhov, a Democratic Union activist in Leningrad.

The demonstrators displayed signs critical of the leadership's handling of a dispute between Armenians and Azerbaijanis over control of the Nagorno-Karabakh region, as well as other aspects of relations among the Soviet Union's more than 100 nationalities, Ms Debryanskaya said.

Participants also passed around pictures of victims of the Feb 28 rioting in Sumgait, an Azerbaijani city where 32 were killed when youths went on rampage to protest the Armenian claims to Nagorno-Karabakh, a

No one can accuse us of hiding things: Soviet official

## Carlucci sees Blackjack bomber

MOSCOW, Aug 2, (AP): The Soviet Union unveiled its top-secret Blackjack strategic bomber and put on an impressive display of tank defence and attack operations today for visiting US Defence Secretary Frank Carlucci.

After 15 minutes on board the huge white, sharp-nosed Blackjack, counterpart of the American B-1, at the Kubinka air base some 60 km (40 miles) west of Moscow, Carlucci pronounced it "a very impressive aircraft."

## Impressive

"They let me sit in the cockpit, but I couldn't tell one instrument from another," Carlucci told reporters. "It can fly like our B-1 at low altitudes and carries a very substantial payload."

Carlucci finished the viewing portion of the second day of his visit to the Soviet Union by wat-

ching live fire exercises with his counterpart Dmitri Yazov.

And as he spoke two more Blackjacks, in shape resembling the Anglo-French supersonic Concorde and never before seen in flight by Western military experts, came swooping down over the airfield from the east.

The Blackjack bomber, which can fire a cruise missile from 3,000 miles (4,800 km), first appeared in 1986, and the Pentagon adds another dimension to the Soviet ability to strike deep into the American heartland with nuclear weapons.

## Barred

"We promised to show it to him. And there it is," commented one Soviet officer with a grin. "No-one can accuse us of hiding things."

Also on display for Carlucci at Kubinka, in an area normally barred to foreigners, were a

MiG-29 fighter, an IL-76 refuelling transport plane, and the world's largest helicopter, the Mi-26.

"This is a display of some of the most up-to-date Air Force equipment they have," said an American officer with Carlucci, on a four-day visit to the Soviet Union under a new programme of military exchanges between the superpowers.

Before Carlucci arrived at the base, reporters saw two MiG-29s, one of the most advanced combat aircraft in the Soviet arsenal, land and taxi to a remote part of the base.

US officials had hoped the defence secretary, described by Moscow commentators as "a realist" despite his expressed reservations about Soviet military posture, would be shown some of the Soviet Union's newest equipment.

"There is no doubt this is state-of-the-art battlefield gear," said one American officer.

Carlucci came to Moscow one month after Soviet Chief-of-Staff Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev visited the United States where he was shown some of the latest American hardware, including the B-1.



Ariryan (right) is embraced by a cousin upon his arrival in Paris from Rome. (Reuter wirephoto)

## Expelled Armenian wavers on US exile

PARIS, Aug 2, (UPI): Armenian dissident Paruyr Ariryan, arriving from Rome, received an official welcome amid applause and tears from emigres and said he has not decided whether to take up exile in the United States or France.

About 50 Armenians bearing bouquets of lilies and wild flowers and placards with pro-Armenian slogans mobbed the dissident at the VIP lounge of Charles de Gaulle Airport.

French Secretary of State for Humanitarian Affairs Bernard Kouchner handed the bearded Ariryan a permit granting him free movement in France until Aug 15.

"You are a free man, Monsieur Ariryan. We admire you for this tenacity and we are happy to welcome you among us, whatever your choice of residence may be," Kouchner said.

Ariryan made it clear Ariryan could settle in France if he wished.

Ariryan, looking composed in a gray suit and tie, denounced upon him during his three days in Italy not to take the Soviets over the coals.

said was "the expression of the impotence of the Soviet authorities."

The Armenian question, he said, was not an "egotistical nationalistic" obsession but a question of "democratisation."

He was asked where he would take up residence.

## Decision

"I will make my definitive decision once I have taken stock, when I have seen where I can be of use to my country," he said, speaking in Russian through an interpreter.

"Right now I am leaning towards the United States, maybe for a subjective reason, because the first document I saw in Ethiopia was a communiqué of the US Embassy, which said they were willing to take me."

But he added "wherever I live my intention is to return to my country and continue my struggle among my people."

He also criticised Italian authorities who he said prevailed upon him during his three days in Italy not to take the Soviets over the coals.

## Cry Freedom goes underground

JOHANNESBURG, Aug 2, (Reuters): The anti-apartheid film "Cry Freedom," banned from public screening in South Africa, has gone underground with pirate tapes selling for up to 300 rand (\$150), a film industry representative said today.

## Reversal

Edward Askew of Southern African Film and Video Security, an independent body which monitors pirating of films, said videotapes of Sir Richard Attenborough's film had been imported illegally earlier this year when Pretoria had not made up its mind whether the film could be shown in the country.

Last Friday government censors unexpectedly passed the film, which depicts the life and death of South African black activist Steve Biko, but hours later police raided cinemas across the country and confiscated copies.

Askew told Reuters that tapes of the film were now available under the counter and pirate distributors were cashing in.

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## Greek-Cypriot soldier dies in shooting

NICOSIA, Aug 2. (Reuter): A teenage Greek-Cypriot soldier has died after a Turkish-Cypriot guard shot him on the island's tense green line, hospital sources said today.

Greek-Cypriot government troops guarding the ceasefire line between the divided communities in Cyprus have been put on higher alert since Sunday's shooting, the Defence Ministry said.

The ministry charged in a statement that 19-year-old Evagoras Evagorou had been shot in cold blood.

It said he was unarmed and wearing shorts when he entered the Nicosia buffer zone between Greek and Turkish-Cypriot forces after he had reached an understanding with a Turkish guard.

Defence Minister Andreas Annelius said soldiers from both sides sometimes exchanged cigarettes, fruit, or insults in Nicosia where the buffer zone is only meters wide in places.

"We try to discourage it," he said, but added that exchanges were human and unavoidable when bored youngsters stared at one another most of the day.

A Turkish-Cypriot statement from breakaway North Cyprus said a Turkish-Cypriot, not a mainland Turk, shot Evagorou.

It said the soldier warned Evagorou verbally and fired a warning shot. He then fired again to prevent Evagorou from approaching Turkish lines, the statement said.

Annelius called the Turkish-Cypriot version "ridiculous."

Doctors said one bullet smashed from behind into Evagorou's right kidney and part of his liver. Another hit his wrist, they said.

## Japan faces week-long earthquakes

TOKYO, Aug 2. (UPI): Seismologists today predicted a week-long swarm of nearly 12,000 earthquakes southwest of Tokyo will continue to produce tremors up to 6.0 on the Richter scale, but won't lead to the big one.

The quakes, most too weak to be felt but some reaching 5.4 on the Richter scale, began rattling the scenic Izu Peninsula on July 26, shattering windows, cracking plaster and disrupting schedules of numerous high speed trains during the busy summer holiday season.

Although an annual occurrence in the popular hot springs region some 100 miles (160 km) southwest of Tokyo, the temblors this year are the strongest in a decade, seismologists said.

The last big quake to hit the peninsula measured 7.0 on the open-ended Richter scale on Jan. 16, 1978, leaving 25 people dead.

**Warned**

Since 1983, the government has warned that Japan's next great quake would occur in the same Tokai region, which embraces Mt. Fuji as well as the peninsula studded with more than 100 sulphur hot springs along with popular beaches.

The killer quake, according to the prediction, would equal the 8.3 intensity of the great Kanto earthquake that leveled Tokyo and Yokohama on Sept. 1, 1923, killing more than 140,000 people.

## Crowding blamed for jetty collapse

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 2. (UPI): The agency responsible for the maintenance of the ferry jetty which collapsed on Sunday, killing at least 31 people and injuring 800 others, denied today it was negligent and blamed over-crowding for the disaster.

"The platform collapsed because there was a large concentration of people moving in a crowd towards a ferry," said Penang port commission chairman Syed Mohamad Aidiid.

"My officers tried to control them but there was pushing and shoving as about 1,000 people rushed to board the ferry," he said in a telephone interview from the west coast resort island of Penang.

He said the wooden pier was jammed with people trying to catch a ferry from the port town of Butterworth across to Penang in time for the Goddess of Mercy, Chinese religious festival.

"There was no negligence on the part of the port commission," Syed Mohamad said. "The last safety check was done two months ago."

Initial reports suggested that the 32-year-old platform gave way when hols holding the wooden floor boards together slipped sending people crashing onto a lower deck and onto cars and

## Soviet general praises Afghan troops

# Army can defend Afghanistan

MOSCOW, Aug 2. (Reuter): A senior Soviet general said today the Afghan Army was now a Steele fighting force and could defend the country against Muslim rebels without foreign support.

Colonel-General Vladimir Vostrov, for years senior Soviet adviser with the Afghan forces, told the Defence Ministry newspaper Red Star his view was shared "by everyone who has a close knowledge of the situation in Afghanistan."

### Offensive

"I must underline that the Afghan Army has grown in number in recent years, has become stronger ideologically and has acquired the necessary battle experience," Vostrov said.

"This all enables it to solve independently the task of defending the achievements of the Afghan people."

In a separate report from the official Tass news agency, Red

Star quoted a senior Afghan commander as denying reports from Western diplomats in Islamabad that Soviet forces were participating in a sweep against guerrillas near Kabul.

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## New US envoy to Saudi Arabia

RIYADH, Aug 2. (AP): US Ambassador-designate Walter L. Cutler has arrived and will resume his former post as envoy to Saudi Arabia as soon as King Fahd accepts and approves his credentials, embassy diplomats said today.

"No decision has been made regarding when his credentials will be presented," said a US embassy spokesman who cannot be named under standing rules.

Until then, deputy chief of mission David J. Dunford will continue to handle all official contacts, according to the spokesman.

Cutler left the Kingdom in July 1987 after a three-year tour of duty and was replaced by Hume Horan, who was called back to Washington "on consultations" last March.

For the past year, Cutler has been diplomat-in-residence at Georgetown University in Washington DC.

A career foreign service officer, he has also served as ambassador to Tunisia and Zaire and has held various other State Department posts in Washington and overseas since 1957.

## Re-examination demanded

By Faisal Al Qassem

THE lawyer defending the "famous Rambo" has demanded that the body of the security man killed during the hostage drama be re-examined in order to determine the calibre of the weapon used and the exact cause of his death.

The 21-year-old victim died in hospital, several days after being hit in the head by a bullet during an exchange of fire with the accused, who had taken his family hostage and threatened to kill them.

The lawyer, Fahad Naser Al Ajmi has demanded that the jury visit the site of the incident and that his client be referred to a psychiatrist for examination.

In the trial session held the day before yesterday, Al Ajmi submitted several documents and reports to justify his demands. The session continued for three hours, at the end of which the court set Aug 14 as the date on which sentence will be passed.

The prosecution tabled several accusations against the man, the most serious of which were premeditated murder, kidnapping, keeping hostages, use of arms, destruction of government property, attempted murder and endangering public safety.

## Houses to be distributed

THE National Housing Authority (NHA) has asked citizens who submitted applications for houses in Rabiya area and land allotments in Firdous, Fintas and Qurain, to contact the authority for completion of procedures according to the assistant director general Fareed Al Ajeeb.

He added that Rabiya project consists of 490 houses, and distribution of 1,285 land allotments in the Firdous area and 638 land allotments in Qurain will be undertaken.

Al Ajeeb said that citizens who applied prior to October 1981 will be allocated these houses and lands as from the end of this year.

## US arms for Kuwait

### Composition of Maverick sale will be changed

WASHINGTON, Aug 2. (Reuter): A dispute between Congress and the administration that threatened to derail a planned \$1.9-billion military sale to Kuwait may be on the way to being resolved, officials and congressional aides said yesterday.

"Strip

The proposed sale, which includes 40 F-16 warplanes and a variety of missiles, had aroused opposition in Congress because of fears the weapons could be used against Israel.

In an action that administra-

tion officials said jeopardised the whole deal, the Senate three weeks ago voted 75-15 for an amendment by Senator Dennis DeConcini, an Arizona Democrat, to strip 300 Maverick missiles from the package.

Under a proposed com-

promise the composition of the Maverick sale would be changed and the administration would provide Congress with assurances designed to remove concerns that the planes could be used against Israel.

Under the original deal,

Kuwait was to buy 200 model D Mavericks used primarily to destroy tanks and 100 new model G Mavericks intended for use against larger targets including warships. Both types of missile are infrared guided.

Assurance

Under the compromise Kuwait would buy 300 Maverick G missiles.

Last year Congress blocked administration plans to sell 1,600 Maverick D missiles to Saudi Arabia. The Maverick G has not previously been sold abroad.

The compromise also includes assurances that the delivery of the Mavericks would be delayed until the F-18s were operational. Officials say the planes could not be delivered before three years' time.

In addition, the compromise contains assurances that Kuwait could not base the planes outside of the country, that their range could not be extended with aerial refueling equipment, and that the sale would not set a precedent for selling arms to another country.

## Japan will send envoy to Iraq, Iran

TOKYO, Aug 2. (AP): Japan will send a special envoy to Iran and Iraq to deliver Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita's letter urging the two warring Gulf states to work for peace in the Middle East, a Foreign Ministry official said today.

The official quoted Foreign Minister Sosuke Uno as saying today that Deputy Foreign Minister Takakazu Kuriyama would visit Tehran on Saturday and Sunday to meet with the Speaker of Iran's Parliament, Hashemi Rafsanjani.

Kuriyama then would go to Baghdad for talks on Aug 9-10 with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Uno was quoted as saying.

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By Shaun Seekins

**BEETLEJUICE** has an unusual twist on the ever popular possession theme: nice young ghost couple cannot scare obnoxious humans from their home, exorcist sought. In an oddly amusing story, the main characters, Adam and Barbara (Alan Baldwin and Veena Davies) return to their Victorian house after a car accident to discover they are dead. Everything is fine except that they cannot leave the house and have difficulties understanding their Handbook for the Recently Deceased.

Their problems are exacerbated when a well-to-do New York family buys the house and the callous wife decides to redecorate. Nothing Barbara and Adam can do, from images of decapitations to floating around under designer sheets, seems to dissuade the New Yorkers. Only the family's rather weird daughter (Winona Ryder) can see the ghosts and she likes them. Despite the advice of their case-worker from the beyond, the couple seeks the advice of a rogue spirit named Betelgeuse (Michael

## VIDEO CORNER

## Broken dreams and shattered china

Keaton), a disgustingly amoral and not very nice ghost.

The film is peppered with outrageous bursts of horror and some spectacular special effects which contrast with the calm demeanour of Adam and Barbara. The comedy element is derived from an odd mix of social comment, silliness and shocks, with the funniest sequence combining all three at a stuffy dinner party where the possessed guests lip-sync the song Day-O and the prawn cocktails jump out to grab them.

## Fatal

Although at times quite revolting, *Beetlejuice*'s off-beat humour has apparently found an audience, and finished a surprising first at the box office in

Michael Keaton in *Beetlejuice*.

The Pakistan Youth Association recently arranged an evening of golden oldies: 'Bhooli Bisre Naghamon Ke Ek Sham.' The programme was staged at the Dainya Co-op auditorium.

## WHAT'S ON

## ARTS

## Tareq Rajab Museum

The museum in Jabiya houses a collection of Islamic arts, costumes and jewellery from the Muslim world. Summer timmings are 9am to 12noon and 4 to 7pm, Sat thru Thurs. On Friday the museum is open only in the mornings.

## Islamic Arts Museum

The museum, located on Arsh Gulf Street, is open from 8.30 am to 12.30 noon and 4.30 to 7.30 pm, Saturday to Thursday. A collection of the finest Islamic art objects are on show.

## Kuwait Science Museum

The museum will be open to the public every evening from 5 pm and from 9 am on Friday.

## SOCIAL

## Summer Balla 88

The United Goans Centre will hold their annual Summer Balla 88 contest on August 11 at the SAS Hotel's The Tent. The gala event marks the 10th anniversary of UGC. Entertainment includes music by Stepping Stones and City Limits. For further details contact Tony Gonsalves — 2612024 or Joe Fernandes 5655140.

## D'Assissi Association

The association will hold a social evening-cum-varieté show on August 11 at Messiah Beach Hotel. The event is part of the 40th anniversary of Indian independence. Top Ranks and Next of Kin will be in attendance. For details contact Leena — 2469811, 9.30 am to 5 pm; Henry 3291919 (am) 3717346 (pm) or August in 5746754 after 6 pm.

**Y.M.C.A.** The Y.M.C.A. will present the "Come September Ball" at the Kuwait Sheraton Hotel on September 1. Highlights include the selection of the Queen of Queens. Top Ranks will be in attendance.

## German-speaking Cultural Association

The regular coffee mornings for ladies will continue on a small scale during the summer months. Coffee mornings will be held on Sunday, August 7 at Kuwait Hilton's La Patisserie from 10 am on those days. All German-speaking women are welcome.

## Onam Festival

The Virawharathi Theatres, Abbasia, will celebrate Onam on Aug 25 at the Indian Arts Circle. IAC President M. Mathews will be the chief patron. The programme comprises Onam songs, Mohiniyattam, classical dances, Thiruvathirakkali, folk dances, light music, one-act play, boat race and Kerala rural arts. Those interested in taking part contact Lazar Varghese — 4314511; Thomas Perumpilly — 4810490 ext. 207; Verghese Paradyil — 2422973.

## Varca Sporting Centre

Varca Sporting Centre will organise an evening of games and entertainment at the Tent SAS on September 22, 1988. Music will be provided by Top Ranks and Next of Kin. Further details later.

## Bangladesh variety show

Bangladeshi children will present a variety performance in mid-September. The date and venue will be announced later. Those interested in taking part, please contact Jayati or Farzana.

## HOTELS

## At the Holiday Inn

Al Ahmadi Coffee Shop offers Continental and Arabic buffets for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 6 am to 1 am; a la carte also offered. Fresh pastries and cakes can be bought every day at the Vienesse Cafe. Light refreshments are available at the Hang Babylon Gardens.

On Wednesday, join the Shazrazed barbecue at the poolside; there will be games, prizes and surprises. On Thursday, enjoy music and food at the Arabian Night at the Al

Andalus Supper Club. Al Dana offers a special treat for children at the Friday brunch, open from 11 am to 3 pm.

The recreation club has new fitness courses in aerobics, swimming, yoga and weight-lifting, all manned by professional instructors.

## At the Sheraton

Enjoy Italian cuisine and live entertainment by the Sienna's Duo at the Riccardo restaurant. Riccardo is closed on Fridays.

Al Hamra features authentic Lebanese cuisine every Sunday and seafood specialities on Wednesday nights; a sumptuous buffet is offered on Fridays. Live entertainment is provided by the Lords.

The Hunt Room offers a variety of meat and fish preparations and live music by solo harpist Harp Dreams.

Arab world specialities are available every Thursday evening at Le Tarboche. A buffet lunch and dinner is offered on Fridays.

The Coffee Shop features a wide range of international cuisine and has a daily special.

## At the Hilton

La Palma has introduced a new 12-day buffet cycle featuring Arab and international specialities; open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner, from 6.30 am to midnight.

Buffet meals are also offered at the Faillaka restaurant. The Magnetic Band provides live music in the evenings. Open everyday 12.30-3pm and 7.30-11.30 pm.

Ice-cream, cold drinks and this week's special — baked cheese — are available at La Patisserie. Open daily from 10.30 am - 10.45 pm.

## At the Ramada

El Bendar Coffee Shop offers continental and Arabic buffets for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 6 am to 12 midnight; a la carte also featured.

The take-away counter, opened daily from 4 pm to 11 pm, offers a selection of Arabic sandwiches and snacks.

The Lobby Lounge offers a selection of coffee, tea, juice, cakes and pastries.

## At the Continental

The Darbar offers a daily lunch buffet with a wide range of Indian kebabs and curries. A la carte for dinner.

## At the Meridien

La Brasserie offers Friday brunch from 12 noon to 4 pm; also open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Beat the summer heat with cool juices offered in the lobby lounge; musical entertainment is provided in the evenings.

## SPORTS

## IVth Winners Cup cricket tournament

The YMCA will hold the All Kuwait Open IVth Winners Cup cricket tournament, beginning September. It will be played on Fridays and holidays at the KOC ground, Ahmadi.

Teams wishing to participate can contact Joe D'Sa, Tel: 3981790, 3-5 pm; 3924639, 5-8 pm.

## PBAK bowling tournament

The PBAK inter-commercial bowling tournament will be held in the second week of August. All companies wishing to take part are requested to register on or before August 7 at the 300 Club. For details contact PBAK director Sarah Macarimbang 4344347.

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## Kuwait Nomads

Kuwait Nomads pre-season training starts Sunday August 7 at 7.30 pm. All are welcome. For details contact 5642599.

\* All entries for the What's On column can be sent by telex (22332) to Events Section or hand delivered daily, except Thursday, from 12 noon to 4 pm, at the Arab Times Office in Shuaikha. Photographs will also be considered for publication. Phoned-in entries will not be accepted.

dine in tips

Kiefer Sutherland and Meg Ryan in *Promised Land*.

## NIGHT CHEMIST

Kuwait  
Al Ghanim Pharmacy  
Fabd Al Salem St., nr. Carlton Tower

Al Amal Pharmacy  
Mubarak Al Kabil St., Opp. Textile market

Hawaiii and Ningra  
Al Iktas Pharmacy

Beiru St. opp. Al Andalus

Cineplex  
Salmiya and Remaitiya

Razzan Pharmacy

Al Razi St., Fabd Al Hamad

Al Khaled Bldg.

Fahadeel and Almadi

Al Khaleej Pharmacy

Complex St., Fheel

Old Kiteian

Al Ahram Pharmacy

Block 2, Sulaiman Al

Ruhami Bldg.

Jahra

Al Zahra Pharmacy New Market

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## Guttenberg graduates

## By Stu Schreiber

STEVE GUTTENBERG, 29, casually chic in Miami Vice-style garb — black tank top, blazer, boots, grey pleated slacks — has ambitious career plans.

"I want to be a great film actor," he says simply. "I'd like to put out two good films a year, and in eight years people will turn around and say, 'Wow, I didn't realise Guttenberg did so much... He sort of snuck up on us.' Then I'll be considered part of the film establishment."

Many would argue that he already is. Since he made his debut as a sex-starved teen in *The Chicken Chronicles*, Guttenberg has co-starred in films that collectively have grossed a staggering \$750 million. True, many fell tragically short of critics' top ten lists — most notably the *Police Academy* send-ups of the American humbling boys in blue. But in between the duds have been critical darlings such as *Diner*, *Cocoon*, and the phenomenally solo *Three Men and a Baby*.

"I don't think the studios know what to make of me," Guttenberg says of his chequered ten-year career. "There are the guys who say I'm only good for comedy, others who think I can do drama as a solid lead. I hope I'm the romantic leading man who can play thriller or comedy."

He still remembers the sound career advice veteran actor Hume Cronyn gave during his time in *Cocoon*. "When *Police Academy* opened, the best thing people said was, 'Gee, I didn't realise he was in such good shape.'" His reward was the role of a high-lbido hero in the sexy murder mystery *The Bedroom Window*.

Guttenberg finally felt he'd graduated from the Academy, and bowed out of *Police Academy V*. "It was time to move on," he says, pausing. "I did have nightmares that the fifth one would come out and the headline would read, 'POLICE ACADEMY IS GREAT WITHOUT GUTTERBERG! You always worry about the next role."

He has. Guttenberg dumped his fire-engine red 308 Ferrari six months ago and began puttering along in a rented Dodge Colt. "I love the anonymity of this Colt. When people see that it's me, they have a triple heart attack."

Low on flash, high on common sense, he always knew what he wanted to do for a living and two days after he graduated from high school, he headed to Hollywood. He got a few minor parts on TV. Discouraged, he decided to return to New York and train to be... a dentist.

He left behind no cheerleading squad of agents and publicists, but for some reason that Guttenberg himself still can't explain, Hollywood casting

## PRAYERS

Fajr	3.42 am
Zuhr	11.54
Asr	3.30 pm
Maghreb	6.38
Isha	8.03

## TELEVISION PROGRAMMES



L.A. Law will be shown on KTV 2 at 10:30 pm.

## KTV 1

## 9.00 Holy Quran

## 9:10 Good-morning

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## Thought for today

If you wish to succeed, consult three old people — Chinese saying.

## OPINION

## King Hussein knows how to handle things

CONSISTENTLY, King Hussein's banner has proclaimed that he is only interested in the grapes and not in killing the caretaker.

The West Bank constitutes the grapes that King Hussein, a man well versed in world diplomacy, desires, irrespective of the fact that these grapes are in the Jordanian basket or in a separate Palestinian entity.

Since the 1967 defeat, King Hussein has been fiercely fighting on several fronts, including, Arab-Arab, Arab-international and Arab-Israeli fronts.

However, in every instance, the king has given priority to acceding to the Arab demands, although, in some cases, these demands sometimes were unwise and fatal. Nevertheless, he still firmly believes that Jordan has no choice, but to accept what Arabs desire.

In 1967 and during the Khartoum Arab summit, the late President Gamal Abdul Nasser asked King Hussein to work towards regaining the West Bank — even if he had to deal with the devil.

Arab leaders supported such a view and the international arena was well-prepared for such an action had it been declared that the West Bank was part of Jordan.

Unfortunately, contradicting Arab interests compelled the king to halt activities in this direction, although he was achieving some tangible results.

When it was even said that the West Bank is not a part of Jordan, King Hussein positively accepted this statement by stating that "what is important, is to get the grapes primarily, and other issues could be negotiated among Arabs."

At the time, all were against King Hussein and he put a stop to all his activities.

After that, the Arabs had a long wait. Then, the king proposed several formulas that in his opinion were in keeping with the then prevailing international situation.

Once again these formulas came to nought due to the solid closed wall which typically characterises the inter-Arab relations.

As matters stand, King Hussein has positively responded to the PLO demand and cut administrative and legal relations with the West Bank.

Undoubtedly, there will be international reactions — negative and positive. What is significant is that the king has disassociated himself with the West Bank, thus, leaving the Arabs to solve the issue once again, whether it be by way of procuring the grapes, or killing "the caretaker."

During the past 40 years, the demand to kill the caretaker made the Arabs miss many opportunities. They could neither get the grapes nor kill the caretaker.

We now find ourselves accepting what we refused yesterday when our enemies accepted it then, but, refuse to accept the same today.

We have been mired in ill-planning for the past 40 years which is directly responsible for the exhaustion clearly etched on the face of King Hussein.

But, we still believe he is the man to obtain the grapes without the need for killing the caretaker.

Ahmed Al Jarallah

## Poisoning brings sorrow to Taiwan

By Andrew Quinn

TAYA, Taiwan. (Reuters): The poison first struck at a school for the blind, covering children and teachers in angry rashes and boils that would not go away.

More than 2,000 people were affected by contaminated cooking oil in 1979, the worst case of industrial poisoning in Taiwan's history. This month, a team of doctors released a report which said poisoned women were giving birth to deformed and retarded babies.

"I began to feel tingling in my arms and legs, and then I started getting boils on my face and across my chest," said Mei Tan, a 31-year-old mathematics teacher at the Hsuei Ming School in Taya in central Taiwan.

"We looked at the students and we looked at each other and we were all covered with these painful bumps," she said.

Mei has since married a man who is also a victim of the poison. She is frightened of giving birth to a deformed baby.

The poison is called polychlorinated biphenyls, or PCBs — a cheap chemical compound that is still widely used in Taiwan as a heat conductor.

**Lodges** Scientists believe it lodges in the body's fat cells.

About 160 babies were born to PCB victims between 1979 and 1983, according to the medical report by a group of American and Taiwan doctors. Some were stillborn, others died shortly after birth.

Many of the surviving children suffer from abnormalities of the skin, teeth, and lungs and a weak immune system that leaves them open to infection. They are also slow learners.

Sitting in the bright, modern schoolhouse set amid the lush rice paddies of rural Taiwan, Mei

has received any compensation from the factory that produced the oil, which was declared bankrupt. The two owners were sentenced to jail terms of five and 10 years. One has since died and the other has been released.

## Turning into economic superpower

By John Yemma

LONDON: In five years, a tunnel will link Britain with the Continent. In four years, Europe plans to become one vast, lucrative economic zone.

That combination, Britain's Margaret Thatcher told British businessmen recently, "is going to make historic difference to the future of the whole of Europe, and its place in the world, and our place in Europe."

There were no murmurs of disbelief, even though the change must seem astounding to the millions of Europeans who still can recall the destructive war — the second in this century alone — that reduced Europe to rubble only 43 years ago. They remember the hunger, the homelessness, the deep hatred. To talk of a United Europe in the wake of World War II was to be, at best, idealistic.

"It is not a dream," Thatcher assured her audience. "It is not a vision... It is for real, and it is only five years away."

An hour's flight from London, a dozen flags of old enemies flap in front of the Brussels office park that is the headquarters of a rapidly uniting Europe. There is a 13th, too — royal blue with a circle of 12 stars, looking curiously like an early American flag minus the stripes. It is the flag of the European Economic Community.

**Superpower**

After decades of struggling to work together, the 12 leading nations of Western Europe have suddenly launched a bold campaign to put aside national rivalries, reinvigorate the European Economic Community (EEC), create a true Common Market, and turn Europe into an economic superpower.

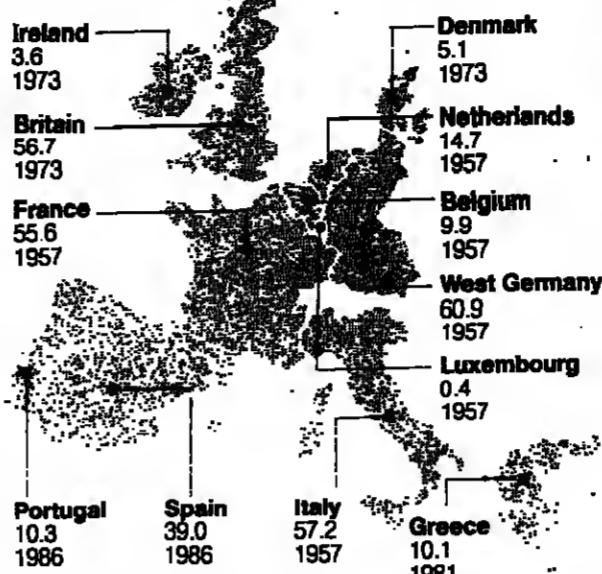
What Hitler, Napoleon, and a dozen despots tried to win by brute force, business and government are beginning to accomplish through co-operation and commercial competition. Significantly, Europe's two flanking superpowers play little part in

## 1992: the buzzword in Europe today

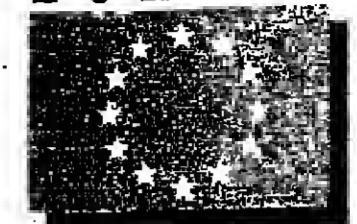
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## THE EUROPEAN 12

Population in millions; year of entry into EEC



## EUROPE



## What Europe would gain from unity by mid-1990s

- A \$225 billion economic windfall (4.3 percent to 6.4 percent increase in gross domestic product)
- A 6.1 percent decrease in consumer prices
- 1.8 million new jobs
- Increase in government budget revenues by 2.2 percent of GDP
- Improvement of the EC trade balance by 1 percent of GDP

Source: EC study by Paolo Cecchini

they says trade developments are being watched very carefully.

Another important effect of the Community's new dynamism is a kind of "Euro-magnetism." Austria, for instance, is ready to ask for EEC membership, a bold move away from neutrality for this nonaligned nation. Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Iceland, and Finland — which along with Austria have a special trading relationship with the EEC — are studying membership. too. Turkey has reiterated its desire to join.

Moscow and Eastern Europe no longer dismiss the Community as a fractious capitalist tool. They are inching toward mutual recognition with the EEC. In advance of that, East-bloc nations such as Hungary are making individual trade arrangements with the EEC. East Germany, with its duty-free relations with West Germany, already has entered.

"Everybody is trying to get assured access to the single market," says Helen Wallace of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London.

**Unity**  
European union won't just end at commerce, says Jean Paul Trantier, a high-ranking official in France's Ministry of European Affairs. "The final goal remains: the United States of Europe."

The spirit of Euro-unity is apparent even in little acts.

Englishman Adam Brown, for instance, works for Airbus Industries in Toulouse. He makes a point of going through the line at London's Heathrow Airport that is for holders of EEC passports. It is always longer than that for British passport holders, but Brown insists that, since Britain is a member of the Community, he should stand with other Europeans.

The Christian Science Monitor News Service

Political reaction within Europe is somewhat predictable, given the inefficient factors that would be threatened in a borderless Europe. Displaced workers and capital flight — money leaving nations such as France for higher returns in West Germany — also will present problems.

Finally, any more loss of national sovereignty and identity could be hard to swallow. For individual nations that ruled the waves, populated the Americas, and contributed immensely to Western law, literature, and civilization, merging into Europeanness is not done lightly.

Yet almost everyone agrees it must be done so that European companies can achieve the global size and clout to be able to withstand competition from abroad.

By Dec. 31, 1992, some 300 legal changes will have dissolved

most trade barriers that divide France, West Germany, Britain, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Denmark, Belgium, Greece, Ireland, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg. Many are being phased in already. By the mid '90s the European market will begin to approximate the well-oiled commercial system of America's 50 states.

At a minimum, being European will soon mean being a member of a lucrative 325-million-person market. That will give Europe exceptional clout in world trade — and in world affairs.

"From now to the end of the century," predicts Michel Deville, chief economist of Banque Paribas in Paris, "every decision will be in European governments will be in regard to the single market.

This narrows the room to man-

oeuvre of individual governments and strengthens the EEC."

Emboldened by its growing political power, the EEC is acting less like a well-meaning but ineffective trade association and more like the central government of this continent. Already, steps toward 1992 have entailed an unprecedented ceding of national sovereignty from 10 Downing Street, the Elysee, the Bundeshaus, and other power centres to EEC headquarters at the Berlaymont in Brussels. Already, all trade policy emanates from Brussels.

This causes anxiety in Washington and East Asia about the emerging of a "Fortress Europe."

As internal barriers fall, the temptation might be to strengthen protectionist walls against the outside world. An official at the US mission to the Commun-

## Thirst for justice remains Restlessness growing in Philippines

By Robert H. Reid

MANILA, (AP): In a stark tableau, the frail, old man who helped make a bouncy wife president "lecture" his former protege on the failure of her administration to bring justice and change to a nation recovering from 20 years of misrule.

But in his speech, Roces said public service in the Philippines was still all too often used for "self-aggrandizement" and relatives to vested interests, relatives to friends."

"It was not rice, roads, bridges, water, electricity and other such mundane things that people expected of us," Roces said. "It was, and is much more: a new moral order."

Public expressions of disappointment and restlessness are increasing amid new allegations of official corruption, the slow pace of reform and human rights violations in the 19-year Communist insurgency.

## Disenchantment

"There also appear to be the stirrings of disenchantment over not only the ability of the leadership to govern but also the integrity of those who govern," wrote the economic daily Business World in a recent, front-page commentary.

Even critics acknowledge that the Aquino administration can point to notable accomplishments during its more than two years in power.

They have been aired in an unrestrained Philippine press virtually from the moment a popular uprising toppled President Ferdinand Marcos' 20-year administration in February 1986 and propelled Aquino into office.

## Chiding

But such chiding was all the more dramatic coming from Roces, the dean of the Philippine press, one Aquino's strongest supporters and a leading figure in marshalling opposition to Marcos.

As publisher of the Manila



Corazon Aquino

tripled to about 9 per cent over the previous year.

Communist rebels still control thousands of villages and even stage assassinations in the capital. But leftist sources admit that the recent arrests of seven top guerrilla leaders were a major setback.

Last month, Congress enacted a land reform bill after nearly a year's debate. Critics claim the programme favours landowners and falls far short of the goals of land reform and the insurgency would have brightened, not reduced, social tensions.

They attribute much of the disappointment to lack of political realism among social activists, impatience in a youthful society and the residual effects of 20 years of dramatic, albeit ineffective, gestures by Marcos.

## Expectations

But the heady days of the 1986

EDSA revolution, as the uprising against Marcos is known

here, raised high expectations of change among the 59 million Filipinos.

But two years after Marcos' ouster, the country is still bedeviled by petty corruption, bureaucratic red tape, and widespread poverty which afflicts nearly 70 per cent of the population.

Some observers believe that

continued widespread poverty

can be responsible in part for

growing resentment over alleged

official corruption.

And by removing Jordan as an

alternative to the PLO, Hussein forces

temporarily get rid of the

divisive problem of the West

Bank while keeping his hand in

the game as a necessary party in

any future international peace

conference.

The speech was strategically

timed at the beginning of a week

## Hussein forces PLO to act

## Move to create a Palestinian state

By David Alexander

When PLO leader Yasser Arafat, who enjoys popular support in the West Bank, was expected to arrive in Amman for talks with Hussein.

Since the 1967 war between Arab and Israeli forces, Jordan and the PLO have competed for the loyalty of West Bank Palestinians, with Amman first fostering the PLO and later driving it from the kingdom when it became a threat in 1970.

While the PLO has worked to become internationally accepted as the sole voice of the Palestinian people, Jordan has been the pocketbook and the national sponsor for the West Bank, providing salaries for government and religious workers and issuing passports for the natives.

"There is a general conviction that maintaining the legal and administrative links with the West Bank... hampers the Palestinian struggle to gain international support for the Palestinian cause," he said in the speech monitored in occupied Jerusalem.

By threatening to cut ties with the West Bank, Hussein forces the Palestine Liberation Organisation to either take over the financial and administrative role in the West Bank or admit Jordan's ties in the territory.</





Indian women: trapped in a vicious circle of ignorance and ignominy

## Gloomy outlook for Indian women

By Moses Manoharan

NEW DELHI, (Reuter): For most Indian women, growing up in an overwhelmingly male-dominated society is hell.

But through quirks of culture and history, there are some bright spots in certain parts of India, where women make up 47 per cent of the 800 million population.

"There is a wide disparity in the status of women, depending on the part of India you live in," said Women's Affairs Minister Margaret Alva, who spoke recently at a conference of eminent women from all over the country.

Alva announced a wide-ranging programme to improve the lot of Indian women by the year 2000, through education and job opportunities.

She told the conference the programme also included tough action against the outlawed dowry system, which is blamed for the killing of hundreds of brides annually. It also involved the introduc-

tion of a law to overcome restrictions on maintenance payments for divorced Muslim women.

"For the most part, we live miserable lives. It is hell to grow up in India for the average woman," said sociologist Thangamma Jacob.

She said in most parts of India women lacked the education to break free from cultural traditions that relegated them to second class status.

But women in Southern

India and some tribal areas of the North-East were far better off than the majority, enjoying the benefits of a matriarchal tradition and high literacy rates.

Jacob said women in her native southern India state of Kerala, as a result of the influence of the matriarchal

Nair community, had one of the highest literacy rates in the country.

Women are the head of Nair families and are property-owners, rare among Indian women. Their status has influenced other Kerala women to seek parity with men, Jacob said.

Among some of the tribal people of Northern Meghalaya state, only women are allowed to own land and children take their mothers' surnames.

**For the most part we live miserable lives. It is hell to grow up in India for the average woman," says a prominent sociologist.**

"It is not that we look down on our men. But why should we change? Ours is like a paradise where no child is illegitimate because it always bears the mother's name," said Maya Ram Kyndiah, a Meghalaya social work official.

The picture is gloomy in the northern state of Rajasthan,

where the government is struggling to contain a campaign to promote sati, the outlawed Hindu tradition of a wife immolating herself on her husband's funeral pyre.

Social welfare officials such as Romila Chopra blame the Hindu doctrine of Karma, in which people are rewarded or punished for their actions in former lives, for the lack of progress of women's rights in India.

"Our dependence on this tradition made women accept their lot without questioning. We are trying to create an awareness against this," said Chopra, of the Central Social Welfare board.

She said evils such as the dowry system, which led to brides being killed if their parents failed to pay enough, was prevalent in Northern India because of higher levels of illiteracy and poverty.

"Karma does play a role in our lives. But it shouldn't mean tolerating inhuman traditions," said Chopra.

pioneering the stretch velours and flares of our recent hippy past for four seasons, while Andrea Sergeant, designer of the Gbost label and now living and working in Italy, has made the new hippy look in droopy crepe viscose her forte.

**Romantic**

"Isn't it about time we started looking forward?" says Lucille Lewin, owner of London's most progressive fashion chain.

"If the Seventies can be made to look modern and contemporary then I'm all for it. But I think we've had enough looking back."

"There is a floppy, rather grubby element to the hippy look that I most dislike. If the fabrics can be re-coloured and used in a body-aware way, then the whole look will be interes-

tingly re-interpreted and updated."

But designers have always been caught up with a fascination for the clothes of decades and centuries past.

The best of them use that inspiration to shape their clothes — thanks to new technology and innovative use of fabric — towards the future.

The new hippy look, styled with old silver jewellery, prettily laced footwear and romantic millinery, is an affectionate version of its predecessor.

The emergence of this look after the shirt, hot chic images of a season ago does suggest a change of mood in women.

The high achiever may well be reconsidering her position and longing for a return to the affairs of home and heart, not to mention peace and love.

## Waldorf Chicken salad

### By Anis Ahmed

RAJSHAHI, Bangladesh, (Reuter): Janmatal Ferdous was married when five years old and divorced at 17, a victim of a deep-seated discrimination against women that even the gallows cannot stop.

In Bangladesh, infant girls are married off by their impoverished fathers, poor women toil as housemaids or are forced into prostitution, female factory workers suffer from the prejudices of their male co-workers.

After a number of women were killed because their families could not meet demands for more dowry or for not permitting their husbands a second marriage, the government passed a law in 1983 providing the death sentence for crime against women.

Six people have since been hanged.

But women still suffer in the impoverished, overwhelmingly Muslim nation of 100 million.

"It was a nightmare," Janmatal said. "Maybe I was cursed before birth. Otherwise, why should I be born in poverty?"

### Illegal

Her marriage was illegal — the minimum age is 18 for women and 21 for men — but government officials said child marriage flourishes because families cannot afford to pay the dowry expected at the legal age.

"The joy and pride of womanhood are fleeting for Bangladeshi women," said social welfare activist Moniwarah Rahman.

"Housemaids are often treated as slaves, female factory workers are discriminated against by their male colleagues. Giving birth to a girl is still considered an evil in some rural families," another activist, Shahida Hossain, said.

In early July, in the northern district of Rangpur, a nine-month-old boy was married to a five-month-old girl. The parents told reporters the girl's father would not have been able to pay the dowry if his daughter married later.

Lawyer Mohsina Khan said thousands of children were married every year. "They are virtually forced into a kind of prostitution scarcely before they learn to walk," she said in an interview.

Girls whose parents cannot afford to feed them may become housemaids, beggars

### Poor Bangladeshi women lead a hard life

## Oppressed by tradition



A young Bangladeshi girl attends to the family meals. Girls whose families cannot afford to feed them are often married off in childhood.

or prostitutes.

But the 250 residents at a privately-funded women's rehabilitation centre, Mahila Shilpa Pratishthan, in the northern city of Rajshahi have some hope for the future.

### Trained

Since it was founded in 1974, the centre has trained more than 2,500 women in skills such as textile weaving, knitting, embroidery making, tailoring and poultry raising.

"Our first duty is to arouse a sense of self-respect and independence among these luckless women, and then to help them earn their living themselves," said Moniwarah Rahman, who works at the centre.

"Those who come to us are mostly from poor families where parents cannot feed the children. Others are divorced

or unmarried," said head teacher Farida Begum.

Finding funds for the centre is a continuous struggle. It has received less than \$45,000 from foreign agencies, including the British-based Oxfam and the Canadian-based South Asian Partnership, in the past 15 years. It also gets a yearly government donation of \$330.

The centre, one of very few such institutions in Bangladesh, gives the students six months basic training and six months practical work experience. They earn up to the equivalent of \$30 a month.

"In some cases, husbands who abandoned their wives come back after the women start earning some money," 40-year-old Sajjina Begum said. "They often use force and hire thugs to steal their former wives. But we try to resist."

## Paloma Picasso: displaying a flair for big business

By Melissa Sones

NEW YORK, (UPI): Paloma Picasso is becoming as prototypical businesswoman as her father was a painter.

In addition to jewellery for Tiffany & Co. and a fragrance, Picasso has bath products and sunglasses as of spring 1988; china, crystal, ceramic tile and a complete line of accessories due in September 1988.

"It's exploding this year," she said, noting that her father's productivity is what she has long admired, believing it to be the result of a striking ability to "focus so fast" and move on without down time.

Asked about her own considerable output, she says, "if I have an appointment at 9 with the plate people, I think plates that look like gold bracelets. Handbags have handles that are crystals imbedded in ceramic tiles, gold charms on handbags and her perfume bottle is shaped like a pair of earings she owned.

And, beginning with the Tiffany collection, she frequently uses a bold, heavy jewellery motif. Handbags have handles that look like gold bracelets. There are crystals imbedded in ceramic tiles, gold charms on handbags and her perfume bottle is shaped like a pair of earings she owned.

These are not, she repeats, products by licensing arrangement or contract with another company as her others are.

"We realised it's not easy to work with big companies," she said, "and there are too many people making decisions."

Picasso products, from handbags to plates, are easily recognisable, beginning with

the red and black colour scheme of Picasso's own lips and hair: red and black borders on new plates, the inside cuff of a gilty gauntlet glove or the lining of a black leather belt.

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A wild, eccentric dresser is the 1960s and '70s. Picasso now wears Azzedine Alaia, strict, hard-edged clothes not unlike her bard-edged handbags, heavy jewellery and severe personal appearance.

"People are sure when they meet me, from the photographs to see somebody who is rather severe and frightening to people.

"I guess because I used to be so timid, in order to protect myself I constructed this image which is really me but I'm much softer in real life."

There is also an identifiable Picasso shape, from the rounded

doughnut-shaped perfume bottle and the circular charms to signature striped viscose disc bags — not to mention her own figure.

In a similar vein are large silk scarves printed with the pages of her maternal grandfather's journal, right down to the ink and perfume stains. Her grandfather, Emile Gilon, was a perfumer in Paris and Picasso recalls that "when I was a little girl, every department store you went to, there was a Gilon stand with my grandfather's name on it."

As for the Picasso name, shoes and hats are under consideration. Clothes are out.

As for Arianna Huffington's controversial Picasso biography that portrays her father as a cruel sadist, she said she doesn't know if spreading the name around helps business.

"I don't like the book too much," she said. "Anyway, I think what I'm doing is defeating the purpose of her book, which is really me but I'm much softer in real life."

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## ANDY CAPP



## FAMILY DOCTOR

By DR ALLAN BRUCKHEIM

QUESTION: Our neighbours are always fighting. Their battles keep the neighbourhood awake. But I am truly concerned about their kids. What are these battles doing to their children?

ANSWER: Parents who continually argue in front of their children may not realise the harm this behaviour may cause. While it is true that children can learn how to deal with problems by observing their parents rationally working out a difference of opinion and reaching a friendly compromise, life doesn't always imitate truth. In the heat of the moment, some parents may not have enough self-control to stop from blithely lashing out or the emotional strength to see how their anger is affecting the people around them. Fighting for them is often a way of "blowing off steam," or releasing some inner frustration which may not be directly related to the start of the argument.

For instance, a woman who feels lonely and neglected by her husband may nag him to switch off the football game, saying it gives her a headache; or a man might reject his wife's cooking in response to problems at work. The trouble is kids don't know that. They react to what they see and hear. And sometimes this can result in signals as mixed as the old adage: Do as I tell you, not as I do. Ideally, say the experts, children thrive in an atmosphere that's open, honest and lov-

ing: an atmosphere where family members interact with maturity, consideration and respect for each other. If arguments occur, youngsters can be taught to understand differences of opinion and be encouraged to contribute to the discussion. Conversely, parents who always conceal their problems distance themselves from their children and rob them of this learning process. Somewhere in between the two lies the danger zone: arguments that are unproductive and meant to cause pain.

The range of reactions children express to destructive kinds of fighting swing between the look of anxiety on an infant's face to fear of divorce in older children. It's also very common for youngsters to feel they must choose up sides, to blame themselves for their parents' problems, as well as take them to heart. Children may worry that they are no longer loved, that their parents will harm them or one another, or that a family member will be sent to jail for becoming violent. Often (in young children) the ability to recognise symbolic language is not developed yet, and they take what adults say too literally. It's therefore very important for parents to explain what has been said in terms that the child can easily understand. If they do not, the child's anxiety may continue to grow and adversely affect not only his or her emotional health, but social development.

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# BUSINESS & FINANCE

Despite threats of protectionism and resurging inflation

## GATT economists see world trade growing 5pc in '88

GENEVA, Aug 2, (Reuters): World trade should expand by five per cent in 1988, the same rate as last year, despite threats of protectionism and resurging inflation, GATT economists said today.

In an annual forecast called the international trade report for 1987/88, the Geneva-based General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) said the most striking feature of the world economy over the last year was its "unexpected resilience."

"Most current projections anticipate that output growth this year and next will be very close to the three per cent recorded in 1987 — not spectacular, but much better than was being forecast as recently as six months

ago," it said.

The GATT team, headed by Richard Blackhurst, cited what it called the relative stability of major currencies since December and progress in reducing the US budget deficit as positive elements in the current economic climate.

A recent strengthening of domestic demand in Japan, and an increase in the personal savings rate in the United States were beginning to correct the trade imbalances, the report added.

### Problems

But the 67-page document warned the exchange rate mechanism on its own was not sufficient to bring about the changes in trade volumes needed

to reduce a current account imbalance, and must be coupled with appropriate fiscal policies.

It cited problems which continue to cast a "cloud of uncertainty" over world economy's outlook: the Third World debt problem, chronic unemployment in many countries, and the large current account imbalances of the three leading nations (Japan, the United States and West Germany).

"Recurring fears of a possible resurgence of inflation — resulting, for example, from exchange rate depreciation or high levels of capacity utilisation — and protectionist pressures are two more reasons why recent upward revision in forecasts of economic growth have often been coupled

with warnings about commodity growth in merchandise volume.

The GATT report said five consecutive years of growth had brought the volume of world merchandise trade to a record level — 25 per cent above that of 1982.

### Value

The value of merchandise exports jumped by about 16.5 per cent last year to a record \$2,475 billion, thanks to greater volume, higher petroleum prices, dollar depreciation, and the impact of dollar prices of national inflation rates.

Trade in manufactures measured in volume expanded by 5.5 per cent last year, against four per cent in 1986, to the driving force behind the overall

growth in merchandise volume.

The GATT economists reported a marked change in US trade performance, as imports of manufactured goods expanded by only six per cent against 13.5 per cent in 1986. Exports jumped by 16 per cent against 7.5 per cent in 1986.

But four Asian states — the so-called "little dragons" — Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan — combined to account for nine per cent of world exports in manufactures and six per cent of imports last year.

Electronic products and chemicals were the most dynamic sectors of world trade in manufactures, and now represent 12 per cent and 13.5 per cent of

overall volume.

World agricultural output declined for the first time since 1950, by an estimated three per cent.

Despite greater commercial policy friction between major nations and increasing resort to export subsidies, trade in farm goods expanded by 4.5 per cent last year — for its best performance since 1981.

The GATT report noted stronger commodity prices this year, but called for agricultural discipline. "Improvements since the beginning of 1987 do nothing to reduce the urgency of long overdue reforms of trade-related policies in agriculture."

In contrast, trade in mining products rose by one per cent.

Despite yen's strength, overall exports continue to rise

## Japan trims surplus as growth surges

TOKYO, Aug 2: Surging imports during June narrowed Japan's current-account balance of payments surplus from a year earlier, the government reported today, the *Wall Street Journal*.

Meanwhile, Japan's jobless rate sank to the lowest level in more than five years, amid vigorous domestic economic growth that has boosted demand for imports.

The Finance Ministry reported that Japan's surplus trade in goods, services and certain unilateral transfers narrowed to \$6.43 billion in June from \$7.5 billion a year earlier, but grew from \$5.79 billion in the previous year.

The merchandise trade balance showed the same pattern: A surplus of \$7.38 billion in June fell from \$8.04 billion in the year-earlier month but increased from \$6.61 billion in May.

The trend in foreign trade appears to continue into July. The Finance Ministry reported a preliminary unadjusted trade surplus of \$3.46 billion in the first 20 days of July, narrowing from a surplus of \$3.92 billion a year earlier.

Exports rose 1.9 per cent to \$13.92 billion from \$11.74 billion a year earlier. But imports rose 34 per cent to \$10.46 billion from \$7.82 billion a year earlier. The ministry provides complete data and explanations only in the full monthly report.

In a separate report, the statistics bureau of the prime minister's office said Japan's unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted, stood at 2.4 per cent of the labour force in June, the lowest level in five years and seven months. That represented a 0.1 percentage point drop from the previous month.

Japan's unemployment has been falling steadily since it climbed to 3.1 per cent in May last year. The latest statistics indicate that Japanese companies are becoming increasingly eager to hire more people because of rapidly growing domestic demand.

Japan's work force was at its highest level on record, with 61.06 million people employed in June. The number of job holders was unchanged from May, but represented an increase of 1.1 million from a year earlier. June was the eighth consecutive month in which the number of job holders grew more than 90,000 persons from the year-earlier levels.

Officials said 36.4 million of the job holders were men, an increase of 620,000 from a year earlier, and the rest women, up 480,000. The number of Japanese without work in June, seasonally adjusted, came to 1.45 million, falling 90,000 from May.

### Workers

The number of workers rose in all industries except in agriculture, which reported a drop of 1.4 per cent from the year-earlier level, or 70,000. The construction industry showed an increase

of 5.2 per cent, or 280,000, reflecting the present strong construction activity.

Although the pace of growth has slackened, the government has been pushing various construction projects as a means of stimulating domestic demand and changing the structure of industry so it won't depend heavily on exports for business.

The traditionally heavy reliance on exports by Japanese manufacturers is a major cause of the country's large trade surplus and criticism in the US and other countries.

But the June data suggested that the source of those frictions may fade as Japanese consumers boost purchases of foreign goods. Imports, as measured when contracts were settled, continued to surge in June. Imported goods increased 35 per cent from a year earlier on top of a 34 per cent gain in May to a record \$14.03 billion, and surpassing the previous record of \$13.46 billion set last April. They grew 4.2 per cent from \$13.46 billion in the previous month.

Finance Ministry officials said imports of lumber, non-ferrous metals and steel have been especially strong.

Despite the yen's strength, overall exports also continued to rise, maintaining a double-digit pace that started in November last year.

In June, they jumped 16 per cent to \$21.41 billion from \$18.43 billion a year earlier and grew 6.7

per cent from \$20.06 billion in May.

Shipments of such products as semiconductors, steel and business machines were brisk, officials said.

"The US economy has been doing very well and that is one of the major reasons for the increase, despite the yen's appreciation," one official said.

The yen's rapid rise since late 1985 had been restraining exports for some time as it made Japanese products more expensive in overseas markets and eroded their price competitiveness.

In another report, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers' Association announced that Japanese auto exports in the first half of 1988 fell 5.1 per cent from a year earlier, as auto makers continued to adjust to the yen's appreciation. The manufacturers' association reported that Japanese auto makers exported 3,062,285 four-wheeled motor vehicles in the first six months of the year, marking the fourth year-to-year decline in as many six-month periods.

The last time exports expanded at the year-earlier levels was in the first half of 1986, when they rose 5.2 per cent.

Exports of Japanese cars, trucks and buses have been slackening because of the yen's sharp appreciation since late 1985, which has forced makers to raise car prices at the expense of competitiveness.

## US index of leading indicators rises 1.4pc

WASHINGTON, Aug 2, (Reuters): The index of leading indicators, the US government's main economic forecasting tool, rose a strong 1.4 per cent in June, the Commerce Department said.

The increase, which was in line with expectations, followed a 0.8 per cent fall in May. The rise was the largest since December 1986 and suggested that the economy would continue to grow at a fairly brisk pace in the second half of the year, economists said.

Wall Street had forecast a 1.0 to 1.5 per cent rise in June's index.

The Commerce Department reported last Wednesday that the economy grew at a solid 3.1 per cent rate between April and June, down fractionally from 3.4 per cent in the first quarter.

Government economists expected a further moderate slowdown during the rest of the year but Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan told Congress last Thursday that if the economy did not cool down of its own accord the Central Bank would do the job by raising interest rates.

The leading index is designed to detect trends and is too blunt an instrument to permit economists to make pinpoint growth forecasts. But the 1.4 per cent rise suggested that the economy ended the first half of the year on

a strong note.

Seven of the nine indicators rose in June, led by stock prices, the government said.

The other six indicators that contributed to the June rise were the speed with which suppliers fulfilled customers' orders, average weekly jobless claims, orders for plant and equipment, building permits, money supply and changes in sensitive materials prices, the Commerce Department said.

One indicator, manufacturers' orders for consumer goods, was negative, while another, average work week, was unchanged.

### Fall

The Commerce Department had previously reported a 0.1 per cent fall in the May index but revised it downwards based mainly on new data showing a drop in credit outstanding.

The index of coincident indicators, which measures the current economy, rose 0.7 per cent in June after gaining 0.2 per cent in May.

The index of lagging indicators, which measures past economic activity, rose 0.8 per cent in June after falling 0.1 per cent in May.

The ratio of coincident to lagging indicators, which some economists believe signals changes in the economy better than the leading index, fell to 120.1 in June from 120.3 in May.

## China enacts law giving more power to enterprises

BEIJING, Aug 2, (AP): China today enacted a law that will end direct state controls over manufacturing enterprises and give factory managers greater freedom over their operations.

The introduction of the law also came with warnings that factories will no longer be able to live off state largess, and will face bankruptcy if they fail to respond to market competition.

The law, passed by the National People's Congress last April, gives factory managers greater autonomy over planning and personnel, and makes them responsible for profits and losses.

It is to be followed in November by enactment of China's first bankruptcy law, which will set down rules for shutting down insolvent plants.

### System

The "manager responsibility system" was widely practiced before becoming legal. It has been hailed as a major step in the government's drive to reduce the role of central planning and make industry more efficient by linking its production to market-determined supply and demand factors.

Approximately one-fourth of China's state-run enterprises are operating at a deficit, and the number is rising with recent sharp increases in the costs of raw materials.

The People's Daily (Renmin Ribao), the official voice of the Communist Party, said in a front-page commentary today that China's 10-year-old economic reforms have "entered a critical stage."

Enterprises can no longer harbour the illusion that the state will provide low-priced raw materials and subsidies to cover losses, it said. Banks will not be a certain source of low-interest loans.

## Exports continue to grow

SEOUL, South Korea, Aug 2, (AP): South Korea exported \$5.18 billion worth of merchandise in July, up 18 per cent from June and 22.8 per cent from the same month last year, government officials said yesterday. Officials at the Ministry of Trade and Industry said July's figure boosted South Korea's total exports during the first seven months of the year to \$32.3 billion, up 26.1 per cent from the same period last year. Imports in July rose to \$4.47 billion, up 23.3 per cent from the same month last year, yielding a seven-month total of \$28.6 billion, a 28.2 per cent increase from the corresponding period last year, the officials said. The trade figures resulted in a trade surplus in July of \$717 million, and a surplus of \$3.7 billion for the first seven months of the year.

South Korea plans to export \$56 billion worth of goods this year, up 17.8 per cent from last year.

## London coffee futures plunge

LONDON, Aug 2, (Reuters): London Robusta grade coffee prices plunged to their lowest levels for seven years this afternoon, the second such collapse in less than a week. Traders said the movement reflected a sharp decline in New York coffee on Monday, prompted in part by continued concern over the future of talks between members of the International Coffee Organisation (ICO), an association of the world's coffee producing and consuming nations.

Robusta coffee, a cheaper grade, for September delivery was trading at £920 (\$1,582) a tonne in mid-afternoon in London after touching a low of £875 (\$1,505), down from Monday's closing price of £1,010 (\$1,737). ICO preliminary talks in London last week, in which the market hoped the 74-nation group would agree to a new quota-fixing price support pact, ended in failure. The current pact, which regulates sales in ICO coffee consuming nations, is due to expire in September next year. Last Thursday Robusta futures touched seven-year lows when the September contract fell briefly to £957 (\$1,646) a tonne. In 1981 coffee prices touched a low of around £700 (\$1,204) before soaring to more than £1,100 (\$1,892) after a July frost in Brazil.

Dealers said a lack of confidence in the ICO's ability to support prices in a market already awash with surpluses of the cheaper coffee grades contributed to the latest collapse.

The ICO is due to pick up negotiations next month in a full council session. The more prices fall the more difficult it will be for the ICO next month to agree new quotas for the year starting in October," one London broker said.

## Growth of energy demand speeds up

LONDON, Aug 2, (LIPS): International energy consumption rose at the fastest rate for three years during 1987, according to the annual statistical review of world energy published by British Petroleum, Britain's largest company.

Mainly as a result of major revisions by Venezuela, Abu Dhabi, Iraq and Iran, published proved oil reserves increased by a massive 27 per cent, adding nearly ten years to the life of the world's reserves at current rates of production. Amounting to 8,96,500 barrels, they are now expected to last about 40 years.

The rate of decline in Western Europe's refining capacity steadied, and some previously closed refineries were actually reopened. All other areas increased their capacity or remained steady.

The United States led the world in oil consumption, averaging 16 million barrels a day. The other top consumers were the Soviet Union, Japan, West Germany and China.

Natural gas production grew by 5.3 per cent last year to more than 1,600 million tonnes oil equivalent. Growth reflected higher demand as prices became more competitive with oil.

In Western Europe natural gas consumption rose by 6.4 per cent to more than 206 million tonnes oil equivalent. United States production dropped by 3.6 per cent. This was offset by greater production in the Soviet Union

consumption increased by 2.6 per cent for the year.

The Soviet Union continues as the world's largest gas producer and set a new record with a production increase of 5.8 per cent to 653 million tonnes oil equivalent.

Coal consumption worldwide grew by 2.9 per cent, while output rose by 3.4 per cent. China was the top consumer at more than 553 million tonnes oil equivalent.

Both the Soviet Union and the United States reached record coal output levels.

The world demand for nuclear energy continues to grow. It was up 7.3 per cent in 1987 to 404 million tonnes oil equivalent.

The BP Statistical Review of World Energy provides a comprehensive analysis of the performance of the world oil industry. It covers reserves, production and consumption as well as trade and refinery utilisation.

Global statistics on gas, coal, hydro-electric and nuclear energy are also included, though such fuels as wood, peat, and animal waste, important in many countries, are excluded as not being reliably documented.

Last year's launch of the review on computer diskette has proved highly successful and will be continued this year, including updates on diskette.

departments, which previously exercised direct control over industries, should abide by the principle of "the state regulates the market, which in turn guides the enterprises."

Several years of experimenting with the manager responsibility system, however, has proved the difficulty of following that principle.

Factory managers are still at the mercy of state allocations departments that control disbursement of scarce and increasingly expensive energy and raw materials. Managers are also thwarted by low state-set prices for many of their products.

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## WORLD STOCK MARKETS

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NAME	LAST	CLOSE	OPEN
ABBEY LFE	340/0	342.15	342.15
ADT LTD	144.0	144.0	144.0
ALD LYONS	422.0	426.4	426.4
AMSTRAD	233.0	233.0	233.0
ARGYLL GP	190.0	190.0	190.0
ASDA GP	156/0	156/0	156/0
SAA	275/0	275/0	275/0
BTB	289/0	289/0	289/0
BAT IND	432.0	432.0	432.0
BARCLAYS	400/0	400/0	400/0
BASS	787/0	787/0	787/0
BEAVER	178/0	178/0	178/0
BECHAMS	485/0	485/0	485/0
BERSFORD	370/0	370/0	370/0
BICC PLC	364.0	364.0	364.0
BLUE ARR	103.0	103.0	103.0
BLUE CIRC	448.0	448.0	448.0
BOC GP	420/0	420/0	420/0
BOOTS CO	220.0	220.0	220.0
BPP IND	80.71	80.71	80.71
BR COMM	240/0	240/0	240/0
BR AIRWAY	157/0	157/0	157/0
BR AEROSP	473.0	473.0	473.0
BR GAS RG	185/4	185/4	185/4
BR LAND	349.0	349.0	349.0
B.P.	257.0	257.0	257.0
B.P. NEW	59.0	59.0	59.0
B.P.R.T	256/0	256/0	256/0
BR TELCOM	246/0	246/0	246/0
BURNHAR OL	543.0	543.0	543.0
BURTON	223/0	223/0	223/0
CABLEKUR	381.0	381.0	381.0
CADBURYS	372/0	372/0	372/0
COATS VY	236/0	236/0	236/0
COMM UHI	380.0	380.0	380.0
CONS GOLD	000.0	000.0	000.0
COOKSONS	257/0	257/0	257/0
COURTAULD	51.25	51.25	51.25
DALGETY	347/0	347/0	347/0
DEE CP	177/0	177/0	177/0
DIXONS	182.0	182.0	182.0
ENTER OIL	487.5	487.5	487.5
FIKI BABCK	129.0	129.0	129.0
FERRANTI	93.0	93.0	93.0
GEN ACCIO	924/0	924/0	924/0
GEN ELEC	56.84	56.84	56.84
GLAXO	972/0	972/0	972/0
GRANADA	303.0	303.0	303.0
GLOBE	143/0	143/0	143/0
GLYNNED	313.0	313.0	313.0
ULTRAMAR	288/0	288/0	288/0
UNILEVER	475.0	475.0	475.0
UNIGATE	318/0	318/0	318/0
WALMART	570/0	570/0	570/0
GUINNESS	327/0	327/0	327/0
HMKERSH A	623.0	623.0	623.0
WELLCOME	520/0	520/0	520/0
HANSON	143.0	143.0	143.0
HARRIS C	642.0	642.0	642.0
HAKER SID	525/0	525/0	525/0
HILLSDOWN	275/0	275/0	275/0
ICI	044/0	044/0	044/0
Woolworth	279/0	279/0	279/0

## World Indices

INDEX	LATEST	1/PREV-DAYS/2	PREV-DR	PREV-YR
FT 30 ORD	1491.4	1495.6	1488.7	1483.2
FT 500 SRR	1061.6	1061.6	1050.6	1052.0
FT ALL SRR	969.89	969.89	965.18	963.01
FT GO SEC	88.02	87.98	87.94	87.92
FT GOLD HI	198.3	204.0	203.8	207.2
FT MINES F	526.27	526.27	517.46	450.65
FT OIL	1856.9	1856.9	1856.9	1834.0
FT WLD DLR	129.51	127.19	127.19	125.05
FT WLD STG	112.06	109.44	109.44	109.51
FT WLD LOC	118.55	126.89	126.89	115.44
				99.08

## London Stock Market Report

U.K. STOCKS LOWER IN LATE TRADING LONDON, AUG 2, REUTER - EQUITY PRICES STAYED LOWER IN LATE AFTERNOON TRADING.

DEALERS SAID THE HIGHER THAN EXPECTED RISE OF 910 MLN DLRS IN JULY U.K. OFFICIAL RESERVES HAD LITTLE IMPACT.

GOVERNMENT BONDS SHOWED LITTLE CHANGE AFTER NEWS THE U.K. IS TO AUCTION 750 MLN STG OF TREASURY BONDS, IN LINE WITH EXPECTATIONS.

AT 1445 GMT THE FTSE 100 SHARE INDEX WAS 6.7 DOWN AT 1,855.5 AFTER A LOW OF 1,831.4 ON TURNOVER OF 279.9 MLN SHARES.

SHARE PRICES ATTEMPTED A MODEST RALLY AFTER WALL STREET OPENED HIGHER, BUT THE NEW YORK MARKET SUBSEQUENTLY GAVE UP ITS GAINS AND STOCKS HERE THROTTLED BACK AS A RESULT.

DEALERS SAID THE U.K. RESERVES FIGURES PROMPTED SOME SPECULATION THAT THIS AFTERNOON'S TREASURY AUCTION WOULD PRODUCE A MUCH HIGHER LEVEL OF BOND SALES TO NEUTRALISE THE EFFECT ON THE MONEY SUPPLY OF RECENT INTERVENTIONS AIMED AT CURING THE RISE IN STERLING.

MANALYSTS CONTINUED TO DISMISS THE IDEA THAT THE U.K. GOVERNMENT WOULD RATHER CUT INTEREST RATES TO TAKE SOME UPWARD PRESSURE OFF THE POUND.

## London Gold

LONDON, AUG 2, REUTER - GOLD BULLION CLOSED A FRACTION LOWER IN VERY THIN TRADE THIS AFTERNOON DUE TO LIGHT PROFESSIONAL SELLING WHICH REFLECTED THE ANTI-INFLATIONARY IMPACT OF LOWER CRUDE OIL PRICES, DEALERS SAID.

GOLD CLOSED AT 432.25/432.75 DLRS AN OUNCE, FROM YESTERDAY'S CLOSE OF 433.70/434.20 AND THIS AFTERNOON'S FIX OF 432.75.

THE MARKET HAD OPENED UP AT 435.30/435.80 FOLLOWING A HIGHER NEW YORK CLOSE AND FIRMER FAR EAST MARKETS BUT IT DRIFTED LOWER DURING THE DAY IN SUBDOED TRADE ON DIMINISHING INFLATIONARY FEARS AS CRUDE OIL PRICES WEAKENED AHEAD OF TOMORROW'S OPEC PRICE COMMITTEE MEETING IN SWITZERLAND.

**London Money Market**

LONDON, AUG 2, REUTER - MONEY MARKET INTEREST RATES REMAINED STEADY AFTER ANOTHER DAY OF LOW VOLUME AND A LACK OF NEWS TO CHANGE MARKET PERCEPTIONS.

ONE MONEY BROKER SAID, "THE MARKET HAS BEEN HOPELESS THIS WEEK AND THE PROBLEM IS I CAN'T REALLY SEE ANYTHING MUCH HAPPENING FOR THE NEXT 10 DAYS OR SO."

GIVEN THE U.K. GOVERNMENT'S CONCERN OVER INFLATIONARY PRESSURES, NOBODY IN THE MARKET IS BETTING ON A FALL IN BASE RATES, WHILE THE POUND'S CONTINUED HIGH LEVEL AGAINST THE MARK SEEMS TO RULE OUT A RISE IN THE SHORT TERM. THE BENCHMARK THREE MONTH INTERBANK RATE WAS STEADY AT 10-7/8 3/4 PCT.

## Foreign Exchange

OLR	STG	DKK	FFR
DLR -----	1.7155/65	1.8680/90	6.3000/20
STG 1.7175/85	-----	3.2065/210	10.8160/8295
ONE 1.8626/B706	3.200/214	-----	29.565/725
FFR 6.2935/3055	10.813/831	357.07/71	-----
SFR 1.5560/5570	2.6716/678	83.27/37	24.69/72
HFL 2.1095	3.6220	12.945	33.48
ECU 1.11487	1.650072	2.08481	7.03262
SDR 1.29763	0.758848	2.43617	8.20565
YEN 132.52/62	227.56/68	-----	-----
SDR RATES	01/08/1988	OTHERS	02/08/1988

BLCK LE 2	LAST	CLOSE	OPEN
BINNETT +F	38/0	38/0	38/0
BOAEC MAS	253/0	252/0	252/0
BODDINGTON	170/0	170/0	170/0
BODY SHOP	623/0	625/0	625/0
BOOKER	404/0	404/0	404/0
BOOT, HENR	373/0	373/0	373/0
BORTHWICK	67/0	68/0	68/0
BOMATER	413/0	413/0	413/0
BONHAR HP	175/0	173/0	173/0
BRAITA	239/0	239/0	239/0
BRAHMER	250/0	251/0	251/0
BRENT CHE	165/0	166/0	166/0
BRENT WIC	423/0	423/0	423/0
BRITANNIC	360/0	362/0	362/0
BRITTON E	328/0	329/0	329/0
CANNING L	253/0	253/0	253/0
CANNON ST	322/0	321/0	321/0
CAP GRP	305/0	307/0	307/0
CAP RFD	305/0	306/0	306/0
CARLCO EN	161/0	160/0	160/0
CARLESS C	119/0	119/0	119/0
CARLTON C	745/0	743/0	743/0
CARLING	215/0	215/0	215/0
CASEY GRP	460/0	460/0	460/0
CATER ALL	358/0	360/0	360/0
CATERALL	114/0	120/0	120/0
CATHY PET	125/0	125/0	125/0
CATHR SEC	58/0	58/0	58/0
CHARTER	274/0	273/0	273/0
CHAS. CHUR	110/0	110/0	110/0
CHLORIDE	61/0	61/0	61/0
CHLORINE	190/0	190/0	190/0
CHLORINE	120/0	120/0	120/0
CHLORINE	120/0	120/0	120/0
CHLORINE	120/0	120/0	120/0
CHLORINE	120/0	1	

# WORLD STOCK MARKETS

## International Bond Highlights

Tokyo — Mitsui Toatsu Chemicals Inc said it will issue 200 mn drs in bonds with warrants through public placement, with Nomura International Ltd as lead manager. The coupon for the par-priced bond, maturing on August 18, 1992, will be set at the company's board meeting on August 10. (RTYJ 0802)

Tokyo — Food processing company Nichirei Corp said it will issue 100 mn drs in warrant bonds in overseas markets excluding the US the bonds will mature on August 31, 1992. (RTYD 0808)

London — The UK government will repay early the 2.6 billion drs floating rate note due October 1992 at par. Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson said. A new programme of UK ECU Treasury bills will be launched in the autumn, he added. (RTTI 1049) The decision to call the notes will not affect the government's funding position or the planned issuance of gilts, said economists. (RTUG 1356)

London — The Bank of England said it will auction a further 750 mn drs in a tranche of 8-1/2 pct treasury stock due 1994 on a bid price basis at its gilt auction on August 10. (RTVK 1451)

## Inter-bank Rates

	CALL	ONE MONTH	THREE MONTHS
LDN	9-7/8 3/4	10-7/16 5/16	10-7/8 3/4
FFT	4.90/5.00	5.15/20	5.20/30
PAR	6-15/16 7-1/16	7-1/16 3/16	7-5/16 7/16
ZUR	1-5/8 1-7/8	3-1/4 3-1/2	3-3/4 4
BRX	3.70	6-3/4 13/16	7-1/8 1/4
RON	10 10-1/2	10-5/8 11-1/8	11 11-1/2
AHS	5-0/6 5-1/4	5-1/8 5-1/4	5-3/8 5-1/2
TOK	3.6875 7500	4.0000 0625	4.0225 1250
ECU	6.75 7.00	7.00 7.12	7.25 7.37

## Interest Rates

Period	Bid	Offered
1 month	5-1/16	5-7/16
3 months	5-5/8	6
6 months	6-1/16	6-3/8
1 year	6-1/8	6-1/2

## BOMBAY

PR.CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GLINDIA	61	60	59	NICO	600	590	600	
ACC	255	255	251.50	GNFC	49	49.50	48.50	MUKUND	85	86	85
ASIA PAINT	157.50	158.75	153.75	GRASIN	108.75	109	108	NOCIL	480	480	480
BAJAJ AUTO	255	257.50	252.50	HIND LEVER	69.50	69	69.50	PEILO	30	30.50	31
BAR.RAYON	242.50	245	240	HINDALOOL	95	96	95	PFTZER	63	63	62
BON. OYING	115	115	111	HINDCOA	85	85	85	PRE-IND	33.50	33.50	33
BR. BOND	87	86	87	HINDOTOR	28.50	29	26.75	RAYMOND	49	48	49
BSE INDEX	603.59	609.60	606.60	IMB ORG	25.50	25.25	25.75	RELIANCE	208	209	204
CENTURYSPG	897.50	897.50	890	INDRAYON	67.50	67.50	66	SIEMENS	70	69	70
OLGATE	225	226.25	222.50	INDROL	168.75	166.25	170	SPIC	52.25	52.50	52
DEEPAKPERT	40.50	41	40	ITC	45.50	44.50	45.50	STOMILLS	250	265	255
ET. HOTEL	50	49	50	JSYNTN	63.75	63	64	TATA PVR	240	240	247.50
ESKAYE	118.75	120	117.50	L AND T	108	110	109.50	TATACHEM	74	74	75.50
ESSAR	19.25	19.50	19	MAHINDRA	58.50	60.50	58.50	TELCO	677.50	680	675
GAR. POLY	80	79	78	HASTERSUR	10.50	10.25	10.50	TISCO	835.75	840	832.50
GE.SHIP	30	30.25	29.75	HATHER PL	51	50	52	VOLTAS	302.50	297.50	305

## FRANKFURT

### TELEVO

### PHILIPPINES MAKATI

## AMMAN

OPNG	CLSD	JOR LEASING CORP.	0.61	0.60
ALA-ADDIN COMPANY		JOR LIM BRICK	0.50	0.50
ARAB ALUMINUM IND.		JOR NATIONAL BANK	2.53	2.53
ARAB BANK		JOR PHOSPHATE MINS		
ARAB CHEMICAL OTER	3.96	JOR PIPES MANUFACT		
ARAB FINANCE CORP.	1.36	JOR PRINTING/PACK.	2.00	2.15
ARAB INSURANCE	0.99	JOR ROCK WOOL IND.	4.00	4.05
ARAB INT. INV./TRAD.	0.98	JOR SECURITY CORP.	0.78	0.77
ARAB INT. UNION INS.	0.94	JOR SELPHO CHEN.		
ARAB INTER-HOTELS	0.53	JOR WOOD INDUSTRY		
ARAB JEW/INV/BK	2.10	JOR WORSTED HLL		
ARAB PAPER COR/IND		JOR. KUWAIT AGG	1.00	1.00
ARAB PHARMA/MANF.		JOR PETROLEUM REF		
ARAB PHARMA/CREM.	0.76	JOR.FRENCH INS.		
ARAB POTASH CO.		JOR. INV. FIN. CORP.		
ARABIAN SEAS INS.	1.65	JORDAN GULF REAL		
BANDE OF JORDAN		JORDAN DAIRY	1.00	0.99
BELGUM INSURANCE	1.00	JORDAN GULF BANK		
CAIRO AHMAM BANK		JORDAN GULF INS.	0.94	0.95
COMPET/CHOCOLATE	1.05	JORDAN ISLAMIC BANK	13.85	13.90
DAR AL SHAFA PRESS	0.46	JORDAN KUWAIT BANK		
DARCO/INVEST/HOUS.		JORDAN TANNING		
FIN/CREDIT/COR.		LIVESTOCK/POULTRY	0.72	0.72
GARAGE OWNERS OFF	3.65	MACH/EQU/RENT/MAIN		
GENERAL INSURANCE	2.39	MAS INDUSTRIES	0.69	0.73
GENERAL INVESTMENT		MIDDLE EAST HOTEL	0.60	0.40
GENERAL MINING	1.31	MIDDLE EAST INS	60.00	60.00
HINNEN MINERALS	0.75	MINERALS RESEARCH	0.60	0.55
HOLY LAND INS.	1.25	MAT.FIN. INVEST CO		
IND./MATCH JEMCO		MAT/CABLE/WIRE/MF		
INDSTR/DEVPLT BHK		NATIONAL AHILIA INS.	1.23	1.23
INDSTR/COMP/AGR.		NATIONAL INDUSTRY	0.40	0.41
INTERN/CO/INV	0.75	NATIONAL PORTFOLIO		
KARAGHAN	0.21	NATIONAL STEEL		
KIRICO ELECTRICITY	0.85	ORIENT ORY BATTERY	0.25	0.28
ISLAMIC INV. HOUSE	0.64	PETRA JOR. INS.	1.92	1.97
INTERMED/PETRI/CH		PETRA JOR. INS.	0.35	0.35
J-TOUR-SP COMPLEX	0.79	PNLADELPHIA INS.	0.81	0.82
JERUSALEM INS.	1.26	RAFA INDUSTRIAL	0.80	0.80
JO TOBACCO/CIGARET	14.50	REAL ESTATE INV.		
JOR CERAMIC FACTOR		SHIPPING LINES	0.88	0.88
JOR EAGLE INS.	25.01	SPINNING WEAVING		
JOR ELECTRIC POWER		THE HOUSING BANK	1.85	1.86
JOR FINANCE HOUSE	0.92	UNITED INSURANCE		
JOR GLASS INDUSTRY	0.98	UNIVERSAL CHEM. IND.	1.46	1.51
JOR HOTEL TOURISM	2.50	UNIVERSAL IND.	1.23	1.11
JOR INDUSTRY CHEM.		WOOLEN INDUSTRIES	0.71	0.70
JOR INS AND FIN.	1.20	YARNOUK INSURANCE	1.10	1.08

## KUWAIT

BANK SECTOR	P. CLS	L.T.	HIGH	LOW	VOL	TRADE
-NATIONAL BANK	1.120	1.110	1.120	1.110	1370000	55
-GULF BANK	0.460	0.540	0.455	0.450	2410000	73
-COMMERCIAL BK	0.345	0.340	0.345	0.340	1950000	82
-AHLI BANK	0.430	0.420	0.425	0.420	510000	27
-K.R.E.B.	0.480	-----	-----	-----	-----	69
-BURGAN BANK	0.345	0.335	0.340	0.335	1350000	69
-K.F. HOUSE	0.550	0.540	0.550	0.530	2050000	79
INVESTMENT SECTOR						
-KWT INV. CO.	0.186	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-K.F.T.C.I.C.	0.210	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-K.I.C.	0.178	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-COM.FACILITIES	0.480	0.490	0.490	0.490	60000	2
-AHILAH INV.	0.000	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-1.F.A.	0.104	0.102	0.102	0.102	200000	4
-INV. PEARL KWT	0.114	0.114	0.112	0.112	220000	6
INSURANCE SECTOR						

Kuwait Stock Exchange 'does not encourage speculation'

# Upsurge seen in active trading

By Jadranka Porter

THE Kuwait Stock Exchange has been experiencing an upsurge in trading which, even without further rise, promises to make 1988 its most successful year since opening in 1983.

In one day, some 90 million shares were traded bringing the turnover to an unprecedented figure of KD15 million, said the spokeswoman, Wafa Al Rasheed. This was nowhere near the usual daily turnover of about KD3 million. It is only fair to say that the day was July 27 which was preceded by a four-day holiday to celebrate Eid Al Adha during which the stock exchange was closed.

## Upsurge

On July 18 Iran announced its acceptance of UN resolution calling for a ceasefire in the eight-year Gulf war. The news triggered off an upsurge in trading and an increase in share prices contributing vastly to the record volume of trading on July 27, said Al Rasheed.

On the day of Iran's announce-

ment the National Bank share, considered to be the index share on Kuwait's market, jumped from KD0.900 to KD0.960. It has been rising steadily since and has now reached KD1.140. Other companies listed on Kuwait's Stock Exchange also recorded an increase in the value of their shares.

This could be the beginning of a particularly prosperous phase although the upsurge in share prices to late July reflected a psychological effect of Iran's decision to comply with the ceasefire resolution rather than the actual improved performance of the listed companies, says Al Rasheed.

## Flourish

However, if the latest UN-led negotiations result in a permanent peace in the region new business opportunities will open which means that more buoyant trading on the stock exchange could be then based on fundamentals, Al Rasheed added.

Real estate, business, service industries and local manufacturing firms would flourish once the

Iran-Iraq conflict comes to an end, she said.

Al Rasheed predicted that the National Bank shares could rise to KD2 by the end of the year provided no major setbacks occur in the current peace negotiations.

An upswing in prices, after Iran expressed its willingness to negotiate a peaceful settlement, was in fact the second time the stock market was jolted upwards this year. The first jump took place last May when the stock exchange replaced its so called three-day system with a one-day system. This meant that the regular market players had their accounts settled and shares transferred in one instead of three days. The results were immediate. The turnover shot up from KD4 million worth of shares per week to KD3 million per day with 30 million shares traded daily.

The market players are presented with a fresh balance sheet at the end of each week's trading. The three-day system is currently applied to one-time buyers only.

Other plans to encourage trading include a measure allowing the GCC nationals to own up to 30 per cent of shares in any of the listed 63 companies.

The proposal has already been approved by the Council of Ministers, says Al Rasheed.

Another proposal under consideration is the introduction of foreign companies to Kuwait's stock exchange lists. At present the non-Kuwaiti sector includes a handful of companies from other Gulf states.

The most radical measure under study proposes that non-Kuwaitis be allowed to buy and sell shares in any company listed on the stock exchange. They are currently allowed to trade only in shares issued by companies from other Gulf states.

Some political decision could be helpful too, says Al Rasheed. She referred to proposals to grant some non-Kuwaitis a permanent residence and a right to own apartments in Kuwait. The Arab Times has been unable to confirm that such measures are being considered by the government.

Although keen to see brisk trading, the Kuwait Stock Exchange does not encourage speculation, says Al Rasheed.

This is why stop-order system was introduced limiting a daily rise or drop in prices to 10 per cent. This has admittedly put off some potential customers, says Al Rasheed.

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The market observers in Kuwait note that there would be substantial resistance to such moves although the potential of such measures to boost the economy is widely recognised.

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# Gulf oil output reaches highest level for 12 months

BAHRAIN, Aug 2 (Reuter): Oil output by the six Gulf members of OPEC (Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries) has not been so high since August last year when it reached 13.5 million BPD.

Oil prices were then rising on fears of a disruption of supplies because of the Iran-Iraq war, but the market was quickly glutted. Pricesived below OPEC's \$18 a barrel benchmark and have never recovered.

Their estimates that the six countries produced 12.5 (BPD), the highest level for a year, came ahead of a meeting of OPEC's five-member price monitoring committee in Lausanne, Switzerland, tomorrow.

The committee will discuss weak spot prices, caused mainly by a glutted market, and may decide to call a full OPEC ministerial meeting, oil sources said.

"High Gulf output came from increased exports by Saudi Arabia, the UAE and Kuwait," said one oil industry executive.

## Deal

"Saudi exports went mostly to Texaco after their downstream deal and Japan bought a lot of Gulf oil ahead of a tax rise in August."

Saudi Arabia signed an agreement in June to market 600,000 BPD of Saudi crude through Texaco's refining and distribution network in 23 American states.

## Decision

They said it was expected to focus on the UAE's decision in June to increase output to 1.5 million BPD. The UAE, with an OPEC quota of 948,000 BPD, produced 1.4 million BPD in July compared with its quota of 1.343 million BPD, the sources said.

"The five (ministers) might decide it warrants an emergency

meeting if prospects for aligning overproducers behind the OPEC cause seems high," one oil industry executive said.

He said the key seemed to be Saudi Arabia, which had in the past opposed emergency meetings on grounds that the market would be further depressed if no decisions were reached.

## Vacation

Other sources noted that Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer was due to take a one-month vacation after the Lausanne meeting and said this might rule out an emergency meeting.

Saudi Arabia, which preaches adherence to OPEC quotas, produced 4.6 million BPD in July compared with its quota of 4.343 million BPD, the sources said.

Iraq, which has rejected its 1.54 million BPD quota and is not part of OPEC's pact, produced 2.8 million BPD, they said.

Only Iran, facing difficulties in finding buyers, fell short of its quota, producing 2.05 million BPD compared with a quota of 2.369 million BPD.

Qatar, with a much smaller output, is the sixth Gulf producer in OPEC.

## Meeting to discuss Airbus reforms

BONN, West Germany, Aug 2, (AP): A top West German economic official said today that Airbus industrial cost reforms will be a main topic at a meeting scheduled for September.

Erich Riedl, parliamentary state secretary for the Economics Ministry, said in a radio interview that Airbus reform of subsidy costs will be high on the agenda at a meeting of ministers from Airbus nations in England this fall.

Riedl, in an interview with RTL radio, said Bonn also will push for the naming of a West German as financial director to oversee the consortium's expansion.

The other Airbus nations are Britain, France and Spain.

Riedl said "reforms" are necessary "to ensure that aircraft production also remains competitive."

Riedl's comments came a day after West German Finance Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg and Economics Minister Martin Bangemann met to discuss subsidies to the Airbus programme in the context of the proposed sale of Aerospace holdings to industrial giant Daimler-Benz.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

## SHIPS DISCHARGING AT SHUAIKH PORT AS ON 2/8/88

B.No.	Ships Name	Agent	Tel
1	Rich Victoria	United	2457958
5	Bronislaw Lachowicz	A.Seas	2421303
6	Falcu	Al Sawa	4746016
8	Shaam	ISA	2441860
11	Barbara Morgan	Al Rasheed	2423642
14	Kasuga	ISA	2441860
FH3	Huay Yang	M.Bahar	2433881
16	Mistral	GH&Q	4747815
17	North Wind	Pronto	47465645

## SHIPS EXPECTED AT SHUAIKH PORT

ETA	Ships Name	Agent	Tel
2/8	Norasis Attica	Emad	4841180
2/8	Zarka	Q.Qurb	4747815
2/8	Pelagos	Y.Alghanim	4745533
2/8	Takshima Maru	Al Bader	2433537
2/8	Daula Giri	T.Cont	2436920
2/8	Kanika	GH&Q	4747815
3/8	Queen Emerald	Marafie	2465645

## SHIPS DISCHARGING AT SHUAIBA PORT

ETA	Ships Name	Agent	Tel
4/8	Dubai	UASC	4843150
5/8	Willine Orient	GH.Barber	4842988
5/8	Tug Gulf Masters Barge	S.Shaheen	2423692
6/8	Abu Basma	RSMS	2423642
6/8	Hercules	B.B.Hassan	2440359
6/8	Great Liberty	Al Kamal	2425437
6/8	Trade Freedom	MA.Bahar	2433881
6/8	New Oasis	Marafie	2465645
6/8	Natropos	MA.Bahar	2433881
12/8	Providence Bay	KMMC	2419814
14/8	Soya Maru	RSMS	2423642

## COMPILED BY:

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## GOVERNMENT TENDERS

The tenders summarized below are invited by the Central Tenders Committee on behalf of Government Ministries and other concerned authorities. The relevant documents may be obtained from the office of the Central Tenders Committee during office hours against payment of non-refundable fees as shown therein.

All tenders shall remain valid for a period of 90 days with effect from the closing date.

Tender No. MEW/22/448-88/88

Tender's internal No. 33/88

Concerned party: Ministry of Elec. & Water

Requirements: Supply & installation of secondary transformer stations 11/4.433 K.V.

Relevant fee: KD250

Initial guarantee: 2 1/2% of offers value

Closing date: 12.00 noon Tuesday 20.9.88

Company — Local agent

Siemens, Germany — National & German Electronics & Electrical

Asian Brown Boveri Co. Swiss — Brown Boveri Electrical Co.

South Wales Co., Britain — Sayed. Hamed Behbehani & Sons Co.

Brosh Co., Britain — Al Marfa Tradng Co.

Mitsubishi Co., Japan — Middle East

Electric Co. Cognac, France — Abdul Aziz Abdul

Abdul Majeed Al Rasheed

Elin Co. Austria — Marzouq Khaled

Al Ghurair

NAI Royter Ltd., Britain — Equipment Co.

Gulf Co. USA — Motocave Co.

Westinghouse Co. USA — Dakheel Al Jasra

GTC Co. Britain — Narjeet Instruments Co.

National Electrical Boards Design & Industry Co.

Tender No. MEW/22/419-88/88

Tender's internal No. 4/88

Concerned party: Ministry of Elec. & Water

Requirements: Painting boilers' stack at Shuaibah Station

Relevant fee: KD20

Initial guarantee: 2 1/2% of offers value

Closing date: 12.00 noon Tuesday 30.8.88

A pre-tender meeting shall be held at 10.00 am on Monday 15.8.88 at Shuaibah Power Station to discuss the tender conditions.

Qualified Tenderers: 1. Kremenco

2. Arab Equipment & Contg. Co.

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The world

A SOVIET SS-12 missile is destroyed at a test site in Saryozek on Monday as part of the US-Soviet INF treaty. (Reuter wirephoto)



KING Hassan of Morocco (left) took some flower petals offered by a young girl after he inaugurated the first oil port of Morocco in Casablanca. (Reuter wirephoto)



LEBANESE folk-dancers performing at Jordan's cultural festival in Jeresh, north of Amman. The three-week festival ended on Monday. (Reuter wirephoto)



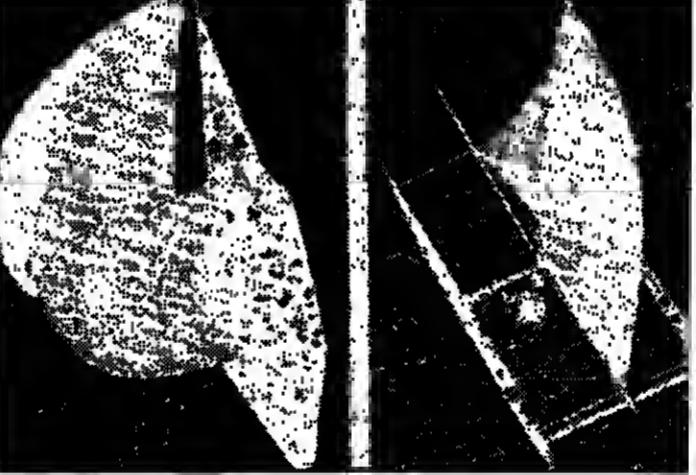
XOKONOSHTLET (right) and two fellow Aztecs speak to reporters at the Mexico City airport before flying to Vienna in an effort to bring back Moctezuma's crown to Mexico. (Reuter wirephoto)



BRITAIN'S Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher tries on a 'Drizabone,' an Australian bush coat, during a walkabout in a Perth shopping centre after arriving there for a six-day visit. (Reuter wirephoto)



AN Indian woman spoon-feeds her young son who is suffering from cholera in Delhi. (Reuter wirephoto)



THESE two boats racing for the America's Cup in September may appear to be about the same size in these aerial photographs. But the challenger 'New Zealand' (left) is a 132-ft, single-masted monohull sloop and defending champion skipper Dennis Connor's high-tech controversial catamaran (right) is 60-feet long. (Reuter wirephoto)



PALESTINIANS receive food, cleaning tools and other aid from United Nations workers at the Shatila refugee camp. (Reuter wirephoto)



A GREEK policeman pulls handcuffed Palestinian Mohammed Rashid out of a van in Athens to be taken to court for identity verification. Rashid is wanted by the United States for the bombing of an American passenger jet. He was sentenced for entering Greece on a forged Syrian passport. (Reuter wirephoto)



REAR-ADmiral Mikhail Krylov of the Soviet Union takes the floor at Moscow's Military Academy to ask Frank Carlucci a question after the US Defence Secretary made a speech in Moscow on Monday. (Reuter wirephoto)

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## Atletico take back Arteche

MADRID, Aug 2 (Reuter): Spanish soccer club Atletico Madrid have agreed to take back former captain Juan Arteche after trying to sack him for smoking too much and spending too much time on his private business.

"We reached a cordial agreement, thinking of the future of Atletico Madrid," said defender Arteche last night. He will sign under a new contract but his job as captain.

### Devoted

Club president Jesus Gil sent Arteche a letter last week dismissing him without compensation on the grounds that he smoked too much and devoted too much time to his private sports shoe business and not enough to his soccer.

Arteche's lawyer contested the decision saying it was not a valid reason for being fired.

"Those players you like more you push more. If they let you down you punish them more," Gil told reporters after the out-of-court agreement was reached.

Gil said he had no plans to reinstate midfielder Quique Setien or defender Quique Ramos, who was dismissed at the same time. They are also contesting the decision but both have offers from other Spanish clubs.

Gil criticised Setien for being single, saying he should have a wife to organise his life and wash and cook for him, and attacked Ramos for answering him back, disobeying the club coach and not training enough.

### Elected

The firings were the latest in a series of rows within the club since Gil was elected president a year ago, promising to take Atletico to the top with a headline-hitting spending spree.

He is still looking for a team to match Atletico's city rivals Real Madrid and has dropped a total of six players and sold three this summer, replacing them with Brazilian striker Baltazar Maria de Morais and five little-known Spaniards.

## Mexico to host giant chess tournament

MEXICO CITY, Aug 2 (AP): About 100 masters and grandmasters, including world champion Gary Kasparov and his main rival, Anatoly Karpov, have been invited to compete in the first World Active Chess Championship, with a top prize of \$200,000, one of the organisers announced.

Robert Brown, director of the Committee for World Chess Development, told reporters yesterday the championship will be held Dec 10-17 in the Pacific resort of Mazatlan, in Sinaloa state, 674 miles (1,055 kilometres) northwest of Mexico City.

### Masters

Brown said the roster of International Chess Federation masters include Yasser Seirawan of the United States, Holland's Jan Timman, Nigel Short of Britain, Johann Hjartarsson of Iceland, the Cuban Jesus Nogueiras and Alfonso Zapata of Colombia.

Brown said three other tournaments will be held simultaneously in the Mazatlan "Grand Chess Fiesta"—an open one for first line players, another one for people younger than 20, and a third for people younger than 14. He estimated a total of 2,000 players will compete in the fiesta.

### Albatross ready to spread his wings once more

## CHAVEZ KNOCKS OUT BUCHANAN

## Lora retains world crown



Lora is lifted by his handlers after the fight.

LOS ANGELES, Aug 2, (Reuter): Miguel Lora of Colombia faced controversy after battering American challenger and former champion Albert Davila to win a unanimous decision and retain his World Boxing Council (WBC) bantamweight title last night.

Confirmation of the result rested on the outcome of tests on two bottles of water confiscated from Lora by WBC officials after the 12-round bout. WBC rules allow boxers to drink only pure water during a fight.

### Denied

"It tasted very, very sweet," said Marty Denkin, assistant executive officer of the California State Athletic Commission. Lora, who was making the seventh defence of the title he won in August 1985, denied that there were sweeteners or other additives in the water bottles.

"It was pure water, the same type of water prescribed for children," he said through a translator.

Lora, who improved his professional record to 30 victories without a defeat, was unable to knock down Davila. But he battered him throughout the fight and opened up a long cut over Davila's right eye.

Twice the ringside physician examined the cut before allowing the fight to continue.

Lora, 27, had beaten Davila once before, in November 1986, on a decision in Barranquilla, Colombia. Davila held the WBC a bantamweight crown briefly in 1984.

Judge Arsenio Garcia of Mexico scored the fight 118-113. Judges Ray Solis of Mexico and Miguel Donato of Puerto Rico scored it 117-111.

The result made the 33-year-old Davila's professional record 55 victories against 10 losses and a draw.

In the ninth round there was confusion after a fan tossed a towel into the ring, interrupting the bout briefly.

WBC rules bar boxers from drinking anything but ordinary water during bouts and if Flora used sugared water, Denkin said disciplinary action could be taken.

### Oldest

It was Davila's fifth quest for a title. At 33, he is the oldest man to ever fight for the bantamweight crown. He will be 34 on Aug 10.

After the defeat on Monday, Davila said: "This is bad time to ask me (about retiring). I'm very disappointed I didn't win the fight. The way I feel now, I would say yes, but tomorrow I may feel better and say no."

On the undercard at the Forum, World Boxing Association lightweight champion Julio Cesar Chavez of Mexico improved to 58-0 with a third-round knockout of Yogi Buchanan of the United States in a non-title bout.

Chavez used lefts to the body to set up the left-right combination that ended the fight.

## BOXING

### Mike Tyson reveals his real name

NEW YORK, Aug 2, (Reuter): The real name of the undisputed heavyweight champion of the world is Mike Kirkpatrick, the New York Post reported yesterday.

In an interview on Sunday, Mike Tyson revealed that his father's name is Jimmy Kirkpatrick.

"I haven't seen him since mom's funeral when I was 16," the 22-year-old heavyweight champion said.

"He's a short, wide guy," Tyson said, adding that Kirkpatrick is also the father of his sister Denise and older brother Rodney.

"He and Denise are good friends. She talks to him often," Tyson said.

"Started

"He never asked me for nothing and I respect him for that," Tyson told the Post.

"I thought when I started making the big money, he'd be calling looking for some cash. But he hasn't."

Tyson's manager Bill Cayton was surprised to hear about Kirkpatrick. Cayton told Reuters he assumed Tyson had no father since the late Cus D'Amato, the champion's former trainer, had become the fighter's legal guardian after his mother's death.

Cayton said Tyson rarely spoke about his past.

"When Cus took Mike he was very taciturn," Cayton said.

### Salary cap

NEW YORK, Aug 2, (AP): The National Basketball Association salary cap will increase 17 per cent from \$6.164 million to \$7.232 per team for the 1988-89 season, the League announced.

FSL increases the white cell count, and increases the virility of immune system. Athletes who train under FSL get the benefits of both worlds — they're physically fit and also have fit immune systems".

Research into the benefits of bombarding the body with ultraviolet light peaked just before World War II in the United States. Stoakes says the rush to develop fast-acting drugs such as antibiotics during the war stopped research into FSL.

The idea was revived only in 1968 by John Ott, an American scientist, and it was in 1976 that Aurora started business.

Stoakes is at pains to point out that FSL is not magic and provides nothing which the sun cannot, and stresses although FSL provides valuable nutrition in the form of vitamin D, it works best in co-ordination with a balanced diet.

"Many of the vitamins and the minerals we take in our diet need other substances to make them work," he says.

The body is absurdly incapable of holding on to calcium. You can drink milk till the cows come home but it won't increase the amount of calcium in your body unless there's vitamin D present to fix it," he told Reuters.

Sports women are particularly at risk. If oestrogen levels begin to fall, the amount of calcium held in the body goes down. Long distance training reduces fats and oestrogen, thereby cutting the body's capability to absorb calcium.

Doses of FSL put in the required levels of vitamin D, and also heighten oestrogen levels, he said.

After reading a 1985 article about fatigue in top class athletes, Stoakes contacted top British coach Will Paish, who trains Olympic javelin champion Tessa Sanderson and world 800 metres silver medalist Peter Elliott, as well as Mick Hill.

Stoakes says FSL helps athletes improve their performance in many ways, one of the most important being through increasing the amount of oxygen in the bloodstream by thinning down walls of red blood cells.

This means more oxygen is absorbed, allowing the heart to pump blood quicker and in greater volume for longer. The process develops stamina and strength, something which FSL can help achieve in other ways.

"If you expose a male body to FSL testosterone levels shoot up, which are legitimate ways of taking steroids," says Ian Stoakes, who runs the company with his partner Dr Damion Downing, a nutritional expert.

This effect is not a new discovery. Roman gladiators used to train naked on beaches, allowing the sand to reflect sunlight on to their genitals, giving them a huge boost to testosterone and helping them develop bigger muscles.

FSL says Stoakes, can also prevent top athletes from coming down with the mysterious viruses which have hit middle distance runners such as Steve Ovett and Seb Coe in the past.

"Training suppresses the immune system by depriving it of energy, rendering athletes vulnerable to viral infections," he says.

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## Doumbia rallies to upset Berger



Becker: the tournament's top seed

### Sri Lanka settle for tame draw

LONDON, Aug 2. (Reuters): Sri Lanka made no attempt to chase a victory target of 245 in 155 minutes and settled for a tame draw with Middlesex at Lord's today.

Openers Roshan Mahanama and Amal Silva typified the touring side's reluctance to go for runs by producing only seven scoring strokes in reaching 13 without loss of 11 overs before tea.

The pattern remained unchanged until the three-day cricket match ended early with the total 80 for three.

Earlier, Keith Brown struck 107 not out in a Middlesex second innings total of 185 for two declared.

Middlesex, who led by 59 on the first innings, resumed this morning at 19 for no wicket and wasted no time in setting about the Sri Lanka bowling.

#### Dominant

John Carr hit three boundaries in the first four overs of the day but Brown then took the dominant role, stroking five fours in the first hour.

Sri Lanka finally got a badly-needed breakthrough when Carr moved too far inside the line and was bowled by seamer Athura Samarasinha for 39 out of an opening partnership of 110.

The promising Mark Ramprakash then joined Brown and after an anxious five balls finally hit a single to avoid the ignominy of a pair.

With the pressure off, Ramprakash struck three handsome boundaries in his 20 before Middlesex declared.

The tourists lost their captain Ranjan Madugalle who sustained a badly split finger on his right hand when fielding a ball in the slips.

Yesterday vice-captain Arjuna Ranatunga held the Sri Lankan first innings together with an excellent 84 to help the tourists recover to 265 all out.

Sri Lanka made sound, if tedious, starts when Roshan Mahanama and Amal Silva put on 77 for the first wicket.

#### Scoreboard

MIDDLESEX first innings 324 (J. Sykes 88, J. Embrey 43, R. Batter 41, A. Fraser 41).

SRI LANKA first innings 265 (A. Ranatunga 84, A. Silva 42, R. Mahanama 40).

MIDDLESEX second innings (overnight 19 for no wicket) 107.

J. Carr b Samarasinha ..... 39

R. Brown not out ..... 107

M. Ramprakash lbw b Ratnayake, 20

R. Butcher not out ..... 10

Extras (lb-2 nb-7) ..... 9

Total (for two wickets, declared) 185

Fall of wickets: 1-110 2-166

Bowling: Ratnayake 19-0-66-1,

Ramanyake 5-0-36-0, Anuradis 10-

4-17-0, Samarasinha 9-0-29-1, Ran-

ajunga 8-2-12-0, Madurasinghe 4-0-

23-0

SRI LANKA second innings

A. Silva c Brown b Embrey ..... 13

R. Mahanama c Brown b Embrey 18

M. Samarasinha c Embrey b Tuf-

nell ..... 11

D. Meadis not out ..... 12

A. De Silva not out ..... 22

Extras (lb-2 lb-2) ..... 4

Total (for three wickets) ..... 80

Fall of wickets: 1-23 2-34 3-44

Bowling: Hughes 6-3-7-0, Carr 5-3-

6-0, Embrey 13-5-26-2, Tufnell 14-5-

37-1, Ramprakash 1-1-0-0

Result: match drawn

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug 2. (Agencies): Yaya Doumbia of Senegal celebrated his rise into the world's top 100 yesterday with a 1-6 6-0 6-4 first round upset of ninth-seeded American Jay Berger at \$415,000 US Men's Hardcourt Championships.

Doumbia, who recovered from a 0-3 third set deficit, credited his ability to deal with the blazing heat as temperatures topped 38 degrees Celsius and an on-court thermometer reached a sizzling 49 degrees.

"The heat made the difference," said Doumbia, who broke into the top 100 with a world ranking of 98 yesterday.

#### Fared

Three other seeded players to see first round action yesterday fared better than Berger.

American Derrick Rostagno, seeded 10, defeated France's Jean Fleurian 7-6-6-4, while 11th-seeded Australian John Frawley ousted American Andrew Burrow 6-1 7-6. American Jim Pugh, seeded 13, lost a second set tiebreak 3-7, but recovered to eliminate Grant Saacks of South Africa 6-3 6-7 6-1.

Doumbia wore down the 36th-ranked Berger, who was clearly more troubled by the heat in their two hours 16 minutes match.

"I knew he was kind of tired. He gave me a couple of points but I played well," said Doumbia. "I knew I was going to win, even when I was down 0-3 in the final set."

Berger seemed to have recovered his composure as he took a quick lead in the final set. But Doumbia ran off the next five games before the American managed to hold his serve in the ninth for 4-5.

Doumbia held his next serve, however, and won the match when a forehand hit the net cord and trickled over, well out of Berger's reach.

Meanwhile, top-seeded West German Boris Becker and veteran American Jimmy Connors praised the new surface at the champions after a practice workout yesterday that attracted more attention than many opening-round matches.

Onlookers applauded after several points, saving their loudest ovation for an over-the-shoulder return by Connors after an overhead lob by Becker.

Becker, a two-time Wimbledon winner, was to begin play this evening against American

Todd Nelson, who yesterday eliminated South Africa's Gary Muller 6-4, 6-4. Connors begins play tomorrow.

The opening matches were the first on the new courts, which were installed at a cost of \$1 million after tournament officials chose to rip out the centre-clay courts and replace them with a rubber-coated asphalt surface. The switch was made to attract more top players by making the event a tuneup for the US Open, which begins later this month in Flushing Meadows, New York, on a similar surface.

#### Running

"They did a good job on the courts," Connors said. "Once they get played on, get some matches and some players running around on them, they'll be fine. You have got to get that top layer off of it, but that will happen after a few matches. These courts are very nice. It's a great surface to get ready for the Open."

Becker's praise was more succinct. When asked what he thought of the court's he replied, "good."

Compétition was light during yesterday's first round because of byes to the top eight seeds, including Becker, Connors, John McEnroe, Brad Gilbert and Tim Mayotte.

#### Qualifier

Top-seeded American Patty Fendick was to play her first match this evening against qualifier Jennifer Santrock and No.2 Stephanie Ashe was to

meet Ronnie Reis of Miami in another all-American clash.

Sunday's winner in the 32-player weekend tournament will collect \$17,000 and the runner-up \$8,500.

Last year's winners Raffaella Reggi of Italy and Anne Minter of Australia were absent from this year's tournament.

Hakami, ranked number 63 in the world, took the first set winning the final four games that included a pair of service breaks. Faver, however, scored the match by winning the second and forcing a third.

Hakami then measured up to the challenge by jumping out to a 4-0 lead and closing out the match.

"I started off well in the first set," Hakami said. "In the second, she hit a lot of good shots and I felt I was being pushed

## Durie and Hakami outlast opponents



Jo Durie

back. In the third set I began to attack more and she began to make more mistakes."

Durie, ranked 60th in the world, who admitted that she hates to play Benjamin because of her unorthodox style, let out a joy of relief on winning the two-hour, one-minute match.

#### Straight

Durie turned her game around late in the second set. Down a set and trailing 4-2, the Briton ran off four straight games highlighted by surviving three break points in the seventh game that went to 14 points.

"That was the turning point in the match," Durie said. "I think she thought she had me at that point. When I won that set I sensed she was down on herself and found a chink in her armour."

Despite losing her serve twice in the final set, Durie, 28, was able to break Benjamin's serve four times in the decisive third set.

"I just managed to hang in there well enough to win it," Durie said.

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Norman had stated publicly he wanted to play for Australia in its bicentennial year. His Japanese sponsors had agreed to release him from a commitment to play in a tournament in Japan if he was selected to play in the World Cup.

#### Norman: nominated

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World Cup promoter Tony Roosenburg said by telephone today, the International Golf Association, organizers of the tournament, had decided to ignore the PGA-nominated team.

#### Compete

Promoter Wilfried Meert told a news conference that Lewis would compete in the 200 metres while Joyner-Kersee would take part in the long jump.

#### Incredible reach semifinals

INCREIBLE XI moved into the semifinals of the 10th United Goans Football Tournament with a 3-1 victory over Salcede United at the Sout grounds on Friday.

Incredible, the holders, tried hard to get the goals from the start and launched repeated attacks through Robin and Peter.

The Salcede defence proved weak when Robin and Jovito struck goals within minutes of each other. Salcede, however, did not lose heart and reduced the

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### £400,000 bid

GLASGOW, Scotland, Aug 2 (UPI): Glasgow Rangers have rejected a £400,000 (\$680,000) bid from Chelsea for former England soccer international Graham Roberts. The decision will upset the defender, who has recently been embarrassed by being forced to travel with the reserves for friendlies.

### Olympic champion

VIAREGGIO, Italy, Aug 2 (UPI): Brazil's 800 metre Olympic champion Joaquim Cruz hopes to regain his winning form at an international track and field meet tomorrow. Cruz, who won the gold in Los Angeles in 1 minute 43.00 seconds has failed to find his old pace following a tendon operation.

### Jeff Fenech

MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug 2 (UPI): WBC world featherweight champion Jeff Fenech, who admitted that she hates to play Benjamin because of her unorthodox style, let out a joy of relief on winning the two-hour, one-minute match.

### Italian press

NAPLES, Italy, Aug 2, (UPI): The Italian press yesterday compared the patching-up of differences between Napoli soccer captain Diego Maradona and coach Ottavio Bianchi to the Reagan-Gorbachev summit.

### Soccer friendly

ATHENS, Aug 2, (UPI): Scottish Premier Division club Dundee United scored a 2-1 victory over AEK of Greece in a soccer friendly in front of 25,000 fans last night.

### Brazilian player

ROME, Aug 2, (UPI): After warming up with four goals in a weekend practice match for Italian club Roma, new Brazilian acquisition Renato plans to score one for the Pope in his next match.

### Chelsea's appeal

LONDON, Aug 2, (UPI): Chelsea soccer club's appeal against a hefty fine and closure of its terraces because of crowd trouble will be heard Aug 11.

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### Australian swimmer

BRISBANE, Australia, Aug 2, (UPI): Australian swimmer Jon Sieben has his sights set on retaining the Olympic 200m butterfly title he won at Los Angeles four years ago.

### Norway's world 10,000 metres

women's champion Ingrid Kristiansen and Sweden's men's high jump champion Patrik Sjoeberg will also compete.

Meert said American Florence Griffith-Joyner, who smashed the world women's 100 metres record at the US trials, had planned to run a 400 metres race.

But he said her position was not now clear after her split last week with coach Bob Kersee.

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